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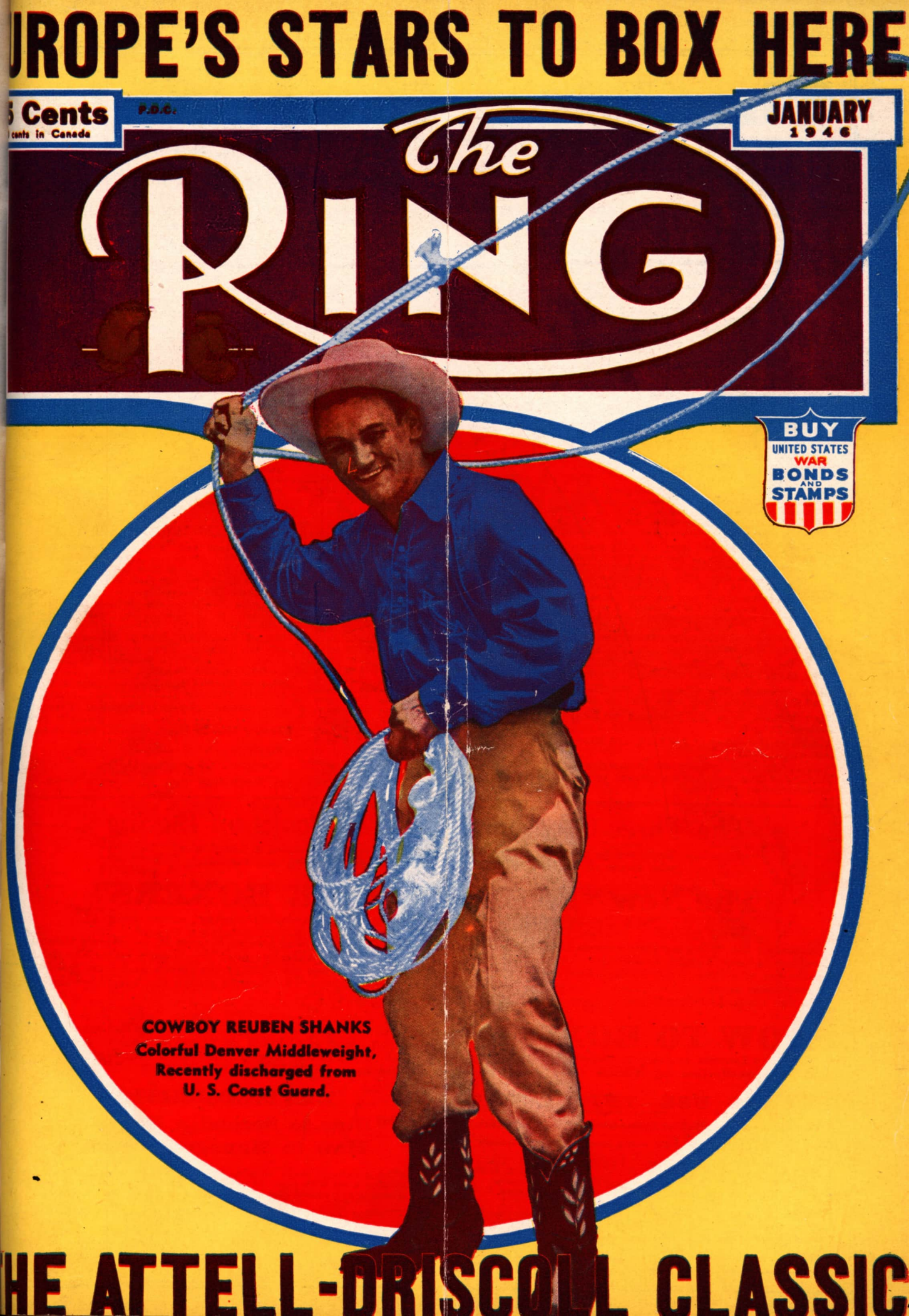

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LOUIS *AND* CONN *IN* N.Y.

Things Shaping Up for Metropolis of Nation to Stage Championship Battle—Situation Is Summarized

By DANIEL M. DANIEL

WHAT'S all the shooting about? The Louis-Conn fight is to be held in New York. The Louis-Conn fight is to be fought in Philadelphia. Boxing Commissioner Eddie Eagan of New York is threatening Mike Jacobs. Eagan is NOT threatening Mike. Conn is determined to have a few tune-ups, Jacobs' attitude to the contrary notwithstanding. Conn is not to have any tune-up fight. What's all the shooting about?

The fight fan conceivably is much confused, and with good reason. He asks, "Give us the lowdown!"

Well, insofar as can be determined by the eager investigator, Joe Louis will defend the heavyweight championship of the world in one of the New York ball parks next June.

Which park? That is yet to be determined because, it is reported there is something going on between the two ball clubs concerning a pact under which they have been operating a long time, and it is said to have four more years to run. However, about that, more later.

The fight will not be held in Philadelphia because Mike Jacobs is no dope. He knows that he owes a tremendous debt to New York boxing for supporting his wartime cards so lavishly, at top-flight prices.

Mike also is not inclined to run into any squabbles with Lieut. Col. Eagan, who is a tough hombre and has made up his mind to use every legal means, and every administrative means, to induce Jacobs to stop talking about the Municipal Stadium in Philadelphia.

Lieutenant Colonel Edward Eagan, chairman of the New York Boxing Commission.

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HERE is the Jacobs side of the controversy, and as you can see, from a strictly financial viewpoint, there is plenty to it:

1. For a fight, the Yankee Stadium would seat about 100,000, the Polo Grounds a bit over 80,000. The Philadelphia stadium would take care of 120,000.

2. Philadelphia offers its arena for a flat rental of $25,000, and that includes ushers.

3. In New York, the two ball clubs operate under a partnership agreement. They are said to collect 12 percent right off the top for a fight in either park. In the Stadium, the MacPhail-Stoneham combine would stand to get something like $200,000 in rental. Mike thinks $50,000 would be enough.

4. There is in the state of New York a law under which that commonwealth collects five percent of the profits on any motion picture of a fight made in that state. This tax is on profits in, let us say, Alaska, as well as New York. This law is unjust, Mike insists. There also is an impression that it is unconstitutional, as the state of New York cannot tax money made in another state, or for that matter, in a foreign country. Mike does not want to place the Louis-Conn pictures under the five percent tax, and he definitely has the right on his side.

5. Jacobs figures the movie and television rights to be more valuable than the receipts for the fight, and that, too, enters into the general discussion.

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SO much for the argument of the promoter. How about the side of the New York fight fan and the New York Commission? This may be summed up as follows:

1. Mike Jacobs is a New York promoter. He operates with the Garden. He operates in the Garden. During the war, New York shelled out incredible sums for inferior fights contested by wartime editions of prime attractions. Having paid the piper during the war, New York is entitled to a break now.

2. The fight belongs in New York because that city is best able to handle the hotel, railroad, and other problems connected with the development of so big an operation. It is the ideal city for such a bout.

3. The New York Boxing Commission, through Eagan, believes that the fight means the spending of some $10,000,000 and that while this is no great shucks in so far as the city of New York is concerned, the Commission must protect that expenditure for the city and the state of New York.

4. The New York Commission believes Jacobs to be legally bound to hold the fight in New York.

So much for the New York side of the picture. How do Louis and Conn feel about it? They have placed themselves in the hands of Jacobs and have no comment to offer. They are eager to get the most out of the fight financially.

Just how far they would figure in the movie profits is not known. Nor would it be a good thing for the contestants to get mixed up in these profits except through a flat sum determined in advance, as there might be an unsatisfactory aftermath concerned with letting the scrap run long *(Continued on page 27)*

DEMPSEY SORRY *for* LOUIS TUNNEY PITIES CONN

By AL BUCK

WHEN he recalls the rainy night at Philadelphia when Gene Tunney outpointed him to win the world heavyweight championship, Jack Dempsey is sincerely sorry for Joe Louis. The most popular champion is convinced that Louis is a great fighter, but nobody knows better than Dempsey that added years and an extended layoff are signposts on a road leading to defeat. Dempsey doesn't predict Louis will lose the title to Billy Conn when they clash for the second time next June. He does say, however, that the day is not far distant when the current heavyweight champion will lose the title to some up-and-coming youngster.

"When Louis fights Conn he will be 32 years old, a year older than I was when I first fought Tunney. Conn will be 28, the same age that Tunney was in 1926," Dempsey explained. "I hadn't fought for three years prior to my meeting with Tunney. Louis has been out of the ring for four years. I think the champion will be in a tough spot next June."

Louis' absence from the ring hasn't been of his own choosing of course. He has served his country in the Army for nearly four years, and has engaged in exhibition bouts for millions of GIs all over this country, Africa, Europe and the British Isles. Joe was a fine soldier and his reward is the Legion of Merit medal.

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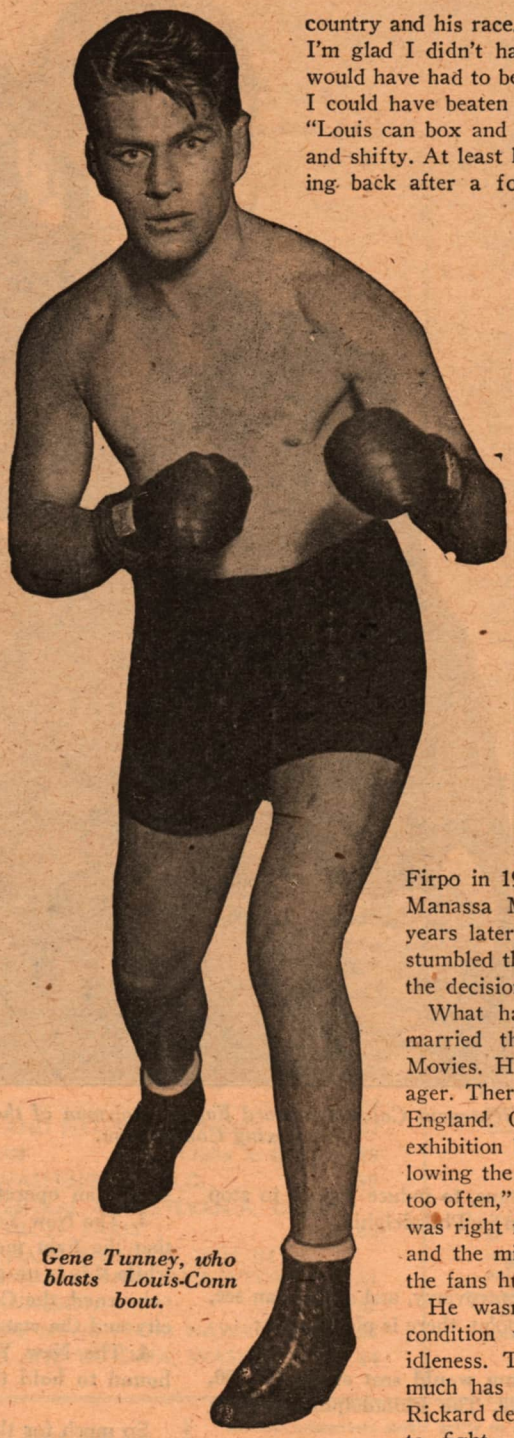
CONN too has been away at war. Unlike Tunney before the first Dempsey fight, Billy hasn't had the advantage of steady competition. That may be why Jack hesitates to predict Louis will meet defeat in June. The challenger, as well as the champion, is an unknown quantity.

Still Nat Fleischer's ALL TIME RING RECORD BOOK tells us that two of our greatest champions met defeat after years of inactivity. One was Dempsey. The other James J. Jeffries. Jack was away three years. Jeff was out of action for six.

"I couldn't laugh off the years. Nobody can," the 50-year-old Dempsey continued. "All the exhibitions Louis has had don't equal one actual contest. If Conn doesn't win the title, there'll be a young fellow come along who will. I think he will come from the armed services, because there's many a promising youngster to be found in both the Army and Navy."

Dempsey, as a commander in the Coast Guard, visited both the European and Pacific theatres of war during the recent conflict. He flew all the way around the world on active duty. He speaks with the authority that comes from experience.

"I don't want any misunderstanding. Louis is a credit to his country and his race. He is the greatest of all champions. I'm glad I didn't have to fight him because I'm sure I would have had to be lucky to beat him. I'm not even sure I could have beaten him, even with luck," Jack declared. "Louis can box and he can punch. He's ring wise, smart and shifty. At least he was back in 1941. Now he is coming back after a four-year layoff. He may not be the fighter he used to be when he thought nothing of fighting seven or eight times a year."



Gene Tunney, who blasts Louis-Conn bout.

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LOUIS may have echoed Dempsey's thought when he remarked after signing to box Conn, "This may be my last fight." The champion offered no objections when Promoter Mike Jacobs ruled out a tuneup fight or fights. Conn kicked a bit at the clause in his contract, but the no-fight-before-the-big-fight restriction may work in favor of Billy the Kid. Actually the ruling seems fair to both champion and challenger. Neither has engaged in an actual fight in more than four years.

Most critics agree now that Dempsey was at his best the day he slaughtered Jess Willard at Toledo, back in 1919, yet those who saw him knock out Luis Angel Firpo in 1923 were inclined to believe that the Manassa Mauler was as good as ever. Three years later, three inactive years later, Dempsey stumbled through 10 rounds in the rain and lost the decision and the title to Tunney.

What happened in those three years? Jack married the beautiful Estelle Taylor of the Movies. He broke with Jack Kearns, his manager. There was a pleasure trip to Europe and England. Occasionally the champion boxed an exhibition bout. He was happy and he was following the advice of Tex Rickard. "Don't fight too often," the promoter advised Jack. And Tex was right from the standpoint of public interest and the million dollar gates created by making the fans hungry for their idol.

He wasn't right where Dempsey's physical condition was concerned. Jack grew soft in idleness. The "killer instinct" about which so much has been written was dulled. And when Rickard decided the time was right for Dempsey to fight, Jack's troubles were only starting. Kearns sued and everywhere the champion turned he was handed a summons. The New York Boxing Commission was demanding he fight Harry Wills instead of Tunney. And so Dempsey came to the end of the trail on a rainy night in Philadelphia, a night that long will be remembered by those who were among the thousands of spectators.

The largest crowd that ever witnessed a fight was there. It numbered 120,575. As Referee Pop Reilly called them to the

center of the ring for instructions it began to rain. It never stopped raining until it was all over and a new champion had been crowned.

Dempsey was the favorite at 1 to 4 as he came rushing out of his corner. Tunney met the champion with a right to the jaw that shook him to his heels. From then on to the finish, Gene had the situation well in hand.

Only in the fourth round did Dempsey flash the form that had made him one of the ring's truly great champions. In that session a right to the head followed by a left hook to the jaw sent Gene sagging into the ropes. He grabbed the top strand to keep from going down, pulled himself up and retreated in safety to the center ring. Jack's weary legs refused to allow him to follow up the advantage.

Tunney's left jab opened a cut under Jack's right eye in the fifth. By the time the 10th and final round was reached, Dempsey's left eye was completely closed. His face was covered with blood and he appeared on the verge of being knocked out. When the decision came, Dempsey's seconds led him across the ring to congratulate the winner.

"Honey, I forgot to duck," was the message Dempsey sent to Estelle Taylor. That was as near as he came to offering an alibi. He didn't have to, because everybody knew that the passing years and inactivity had won another victory.

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"IT was the John L. Sullivan-James J. Corbett fight all over again," remarked William A. Brady, who managed Gentleman Jim when he knocked out the Boston Strong Boy back in 1892. John L. had loafed for three years, was fat and out of shape, and had little other than a reputation when he went into the ring. The remarkable thing about it is that he lasted as many as 21 rounds.

It would be unfair to compare Sullivan and Louis. John L. had looked at the wine when it was red. He had led a carefree existence and he did no serious training for Corbett.

Jack Dempsey, who declares long layoff will hurt both fighters.

Louis' layoff was forced upon him by the war. All his life he has been a model athlete and an example to the youth of the land. He will train seriously for Conn. If he is beaten, it will be because of no fault of his own. It will be only because he can't defeat the years and Billy Conn too.

Louis can't be compared with Jess Willard either. That is not in fairness to the current champion. Big Jess confined his activities to a 10-round no-decision fight with Frank Moran in the four years he held the title. Willard was soft and overconfident the day Dempsey cut him to ribbons. Besides, nobody ever called Jess Willard a great champion.

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JEFFRIES' story differs only in detail. The Big Fellow had been out of the ring for six years when he responded to the popular demand that he "restore white supremacy" by fighting and defeating Johnson. There is no such demand today. America has come a long way in its approach to social problems, including the relationship between the two races. There is no more respected athlete than Joe Louis, the Negro who rules as heavyweight champion. The same could not have been said of Jack Johnson back in 1909 when Li'l Artha was king of 'em all.

Having retired undefeated in 1904, Jeffries had done nothing more strenuous than box an occasional exhibition for five years. He was on a 13 weeks' vaudeville tour when the demand for his return to the ring reached his ears and more for the publicity than anything else, he told newspapermen that he might fight Johnson if he "could get in shape." That's where Jim made his first mistake.

He made his second mistake when his act reached New York and he allowed himself to listen to Tex Rickard. The promoter offered a purse of $101,000 with the proviso that 60 percent would go to the winner and the remaining 40 percent to the loser. Jeff knew that he was slow and heavy, but he was convinced that even if the worst happened Johnson could not knock him out. Besides the purse was the largest ever offered up to that time. It must have loomed as large in Jeffries' mind then, as does the prospect of a two or three million dollar gate in Louis' eyes today.

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JOHNSON was the recognized champion but Jeffries was the undefeated titleholder. The public refused to believe the Big Fellow had an equal, however, and most fight fans were convinced he would defeat the Galveston Negro.

Jeffries made a trip to Europe before hiding away in a training camp at Rowadennan, Calif. He soon realized that he was unable to do the road work and to stand the exercise as he had in other training camps years before. He tired easily for one thing, but his mind was at ease because he thought it was due to the long layoff. As the training progressed, he began to pick up speed and his endurance increased. Lacking though was the enthusiasm and vigor of other camps.

Then came the break—a bad one for Jeff. Gov. Gillette of California informed Rickard that the fight could not take place in San Francisco. Tex proposed Reno, Nev. Jeffries hesitated. He had signed to fight in California. He wasn't too sure of himself. The altitude at Reno was high. It looked like a way out.

Rickard talked fast. He explained that to call off the fight would ruin him financially. Again Jeffries listened. Then, against his better judgment, he agreed. Things never went right after that. Instead of getting better, Jeffries got worse. As the fight grew closer, Jeff frequently slipped away from his training camp near Reno to avoid meeting old friends, and perhaps to conceal from the public his poor physical condition.

In explaining the situation long afterwards Jeffries said:

"My mind and body were dull and listless. I only half felt

things. Nothing seemed to matter. I was indifferent to the Johnson fight."

The sluggish state in which Jeffries was may have been the basis for the story—believed by many of his admirers at the time—that he was doped. There has never been any evidence to support the belief, and what is more probable is that the Big Fellow was what he has been called since—a hollow shell.

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JEFFRIES made his last mistake—the biggest mistake of his life—when he entered the ring on July 4, 1910. Billy Delaney, once Jeff's trainer, had gone over to the enemy and was in Johnson's corner. So disorganized were the Jeffries' forces, that no less than eight men were in his corner. They were James J. Corbett, Joe Choynski, Roger Cornell, Abe Attell, Sam Berger, Bob Armstrong, Farmer Burns and Jack Jeffries, Jim's brother. What they were all to do, hasn't been explained to this day. Rickard was the referee, and Charley White of New York, the alternate referee, just in case something happened to Tex.

Jack London, the famous author, reporting the fight, declared:

"Once again has Johnson sent down to defeat the chosen representative of the white race and this time the greatest of them all. And as of old, it was play for Johnson."

Some at the ringside thought Jeffries was frightened. That could be. He knew in his heart that the years had passed him by. Johnson, confident and sure of himself, flashed his famous "Golden Smile." He joked and kidded with those at the ringside. At no time was he extended by the old man—the tired old man of 35 years—who was supposed to be the greatest of all champions.

Jeffries did not talk to Johnson, but Corbett kept up a running verbal attack from the corner. "He wants to fight, Jim," shouted Gentleman Jim from the corner. "You bet I do," Jack replied as he ripped a right hand uppercut to the body. That was in the second round.

In the third round Johnson showed his utter contempt for Jeffries by waving to friends in the crowd. All Jeff succeeded in doing during the entire fight, was to reopen a cut on Johnson's lip. Li'l Artha had suffered the wound in training.

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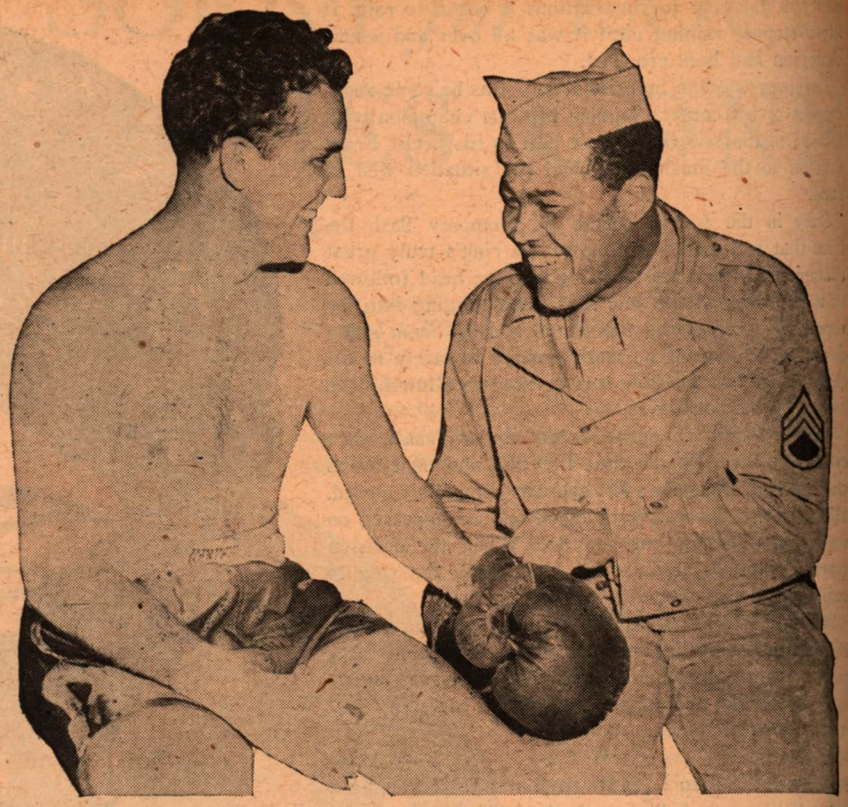
AFTER the fifth round, it was only a matter of time. It was apparent to those at the ringside that Johnson could end it whenever he wanted to. Instead, he chose to cut Jeff to ribbons, to humiliate him and to prove once and for all that he, and not his white opponent, was master.

Jeffries fought as if in a fog. He shuffled forward to be met by stinging jabs. His left eye was a thin blue slit. His other eye was swollen. His nose was split. Blood trickled from his mouth down onto his hairy chest.

As they came out for the 15th round, Johnson moved forward with determination written on his face. No longer did he smile. He feinted Jeff out of position and as Jim dropped his guard jabbed him with a stinging left to the mouth. Jeffries clinched, but Johnson shoved him over. Johnson stepped back, then drove a solid right to the body and hooked his left to the jaw. Jeffries' hands dropped to his side and he slowly collapsed to the floor. He rolled over backwards, half out of the ring, his legs over the lower rope. Jack Jeffries put his hands under his brother's shoulders and shoved him to his feet.

A jolting right to the jaw floored Jeffries for the second time and he just beat the count of 10 getting to his feet. Johnson stepped in for the kill, carefully measuring his beaten foe. A sponge was thrown in from Jeff's corner in token of defeat. Referee Rickard had his back turned and didn't see it. Johnson's right went straight and true to the jaw and Jeffries crashed to the canvas for the third and last time.



Billy Conn (left) and Joe Louis, as they greeted each other in Pittsburgh just before each was discharged from the Army.

Of Jeffries they said: "They never come back." They said it again when Tunney beat Dempsey.

Jack came back far enough a year later to knock out Jack Sharkey. He lost to Tunney a second time in the famous battle of the "Long Count."

What do the fates hold for Louis? Can the heavyweight champion come back after four years of war? These questions will be answered on a night next June when Billy Conn makes his second attempt to win the title he had all but won four years ago. At the end of the 12th round back in '41, it looked as though Billy the Kid was to be the 16th heavyweight champion. In the 13th, Louis pulled it out of the fire and saved the title. Can he do it again?

Billy Conn will have an army of supporters when he toes the mark to face the champ again, but if these fellows should listen to the advice of Gene Tunney, they will think twice before they pick the Pittsburgher to win. Just pipe Gene's comment:

"I will wager $10,000 that right now Ray Robinson can lick Billy Conn in fifteen rounds. Conn has been a play boy for the last five years and is no more in condition to fight than I am. The bout with Louis will never draw the three million dollars predicted by Mike Jacobs and if the fans are wise, they'll see to it that it doesn't draw a million. It will be the worst heavyweight championship fight since the Johnson and Jeffries battle at Reno and it is likely to wind up by setting boxing back twenty years. That's how bad I predict the fight will be.

"Jacobs should have had an elimination and should have selected the man most worthy of being the challenger. I feel confident that that man would not have been Billy Conn.

"It is ridiculous for Jacobs to force Conn and Louis into a championship battle after so long a layoff without a tune up fight. Neither is capable right now of fighting his way out of a paper bag. The exhibitions they put on for the service men were good shows but not a bit of real fighting took place at any time. Conn and Louis should have had at least three tune up fights. Can you picture what almost five years of idleness have done to Billy Conn as a fighter. And for that matter, to the champion."

England's Mike Jacobs *is* Fishmonger Jack Solomons

Man Who Promoted Bruce Woodcock's Achievement of Empire Heavyweight Championship Is Tremendous Force in Britain's Post War Boxing Boom

By JACK MACADAM

(In the London "News-Chronicle")

THE vast commonwealth of cauliflower communities might search the London telephone book in vain for indication of a renaissance in British boxing. The really sharp-eyed hunter, however, might stumble on the line: "Solomons, Jack, fishmonger, 47a Ridley Road, E8. CLIssold 4334" with no more than a suspicion that it concealed the newest force in the fight business, the man who is most likely to produce the British Isles "Hope," who has been sought since Bombardier Billy Wells.

As to the importance of this production, there are two schools of thought. This reporter holds that high-class athletes can do as much good to the national status abroad as seven-horse-power motor cars and one-year fountain pens.

There are many in the United States who hold Britain in high regard for the Mile-of-the-Century of Jack Lovelock and the magnificent performance of Tommy Farr against Joe Louis.

That being so, the importance of Jack Solomons follows automatically. His promotion of the London-Woodcock heavyweight title fight at Tottenham was the first big professional venture since the war started, and it was a success. Solomons, in his wisdom, means to follow that success. He is leasing one of London's big stadiums for monthly indoor fights throughout the winter.

He plans to bring American fighters to Britain. He plans to scour the country for new talent which he will try out in his gym in London. In fact, he plans to put British boxing back on the map.

So, who is Solomons? What is he?

His parents were fishmongers in the East End. He started pushing the barrow-loads of fish from Billingsgate at six in the morning when he was twelve. Now he is 45 and he is still in Billingsgate every morning at six, not to push the barrow, but to make sure that he gets his proper fish allocation.

He was there in his place at six on the morning of July 17. In the evening he took £25,000 through the gates at Tottenham. He was back in his place at six on the morning of the 18th.

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SOLOMONS has a curious claim to prominence in the fish business. "I was the first man to import live carp into England," he says. "I bought them before the war from a Hungarian called Count Yancovitch."

The fish were King Carp, and the Count dispatched them from Hungary in truck-long tanks that held 16,000 pounds of kicking carp attended by a servitor who operated bottles of oxygen in order to keep them kicking. Sevenpence a pound they cost as between Solomons and Yancovitch, and they sold at eightpence a pound.

"Penny a pound profit doesn't seem much considering the trouble," says the buyer, "but 16,000 is a lot of poundage."

He ran charity boxing during the war and says proudly that he made not a penny out of it. Just one little squawk he has—that the Government wouldn't let him replace his imported carp with freshwater fish netted in the English rivers.

"They took over golf courses and race courses," he says. "Why not a few rivers?"

As a promoter Solomons applies strict business principles, tempered with a nice sense of what the cash customer deserves. He could have filled the playing pitch at Tottenham with two-guinea seats. He preferred to cut them off half-way to the stands.

"What's the percentage," he says, "for the two-guinea fellow who finds himself backing up against the five-bobs? It cost me a bit, but why take a liberty?"

He will not tolerate the loud-mouth betting boys around the ringside. He demands punctilio for patrons. He will stop a steward in the middle of a fight and tell him: "You talked a bit loud there."

"Who, me?" protests the steward.

"I heard you. You talked a bit loud. There's no need to talk loud. Do it quietly."

"I did it quiet. All I said was . . ."

"There you are—you're talking loud now . . ."

Essentially, he is the same quiet-smiling man who came into boxing with a small promotion in 1931. He lost £275, as he can tell you without recourse to notes.

"But," he says, "it's a good thing to lose money on your first promotion—no matter what the business is. It's a kind of premium."

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THE following year he took over a derelict church in Penthouse Road. He enraged an exclusive West End club clientele by calling the place The Devonshire Club, but he restored boxing to the East End of London.

His aim was the modest acquisition of knowledge and his prices were scaled to fit. He charged blood-lusty East-enders 3s. 6d. ringside and 2s. 6d. and 1s. 3d. gallery on Sundays; and 1s. ringside and 7d. gallery on Fridays for "well, really, a slightly inferior show."

Solomons promoted fights among such fistic characters as Jim Brady, Dave Finn, Eric Boon, Tommy Hyams, Kid Berg, Pedro Montanez (who earned £12. 10s. for fighting Tommy Dowlais, of Wales, and went on in the same year to Madison Square Garden to fight for the world title), Harry Lazar, Kid Silver and Tiny Bostock.

His record crowd in this hot, tight, raucous emporium, where rival factions could punch each other's noses from either side of the gallery, was 1,800. It was enough.

There wasn't much money in it, but the fishmonger was learning, a thing he is never tired of doing. When he took 40,000 at Tottenham he learned that with even better fights he could take 60,000, or 80,000.

"Where did I get my interest in the first place? In the old Castle Street School in the East End. Mr. Finn, the headmaster, once gave me a shilling for scoring a goal against Buxton Street, Stoke Newington. They made me captain of football and cricket," Solomons recounts.

"When I was 15 I had my first professional fight against a boy named Ted Green. I stopped him in two rounds, and my father stopped me in about half a second for getting into a fight. Just the same I went on and beat Harry Berry, of Hackney, in four rounds at The Ring, Blackfriars, and when I was 17 I got ambitious and fought Joe Brooks—they called him Bayardo Brooks because he had as much class as the horse—at Southampton. I got £7. 10s. and he stopped me in five rounds.

"I bought my girl a present with the £7. 10s. and promised her I'd never get myself

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MECCA *of* MAYHEM

Stillman's Gymnasium, Eighth Avenue's Emporium of Sock, New York's Fistic Landmark, the Training Place of World's Greatest Fighters

By IRVING RUDD

THE red-hot boxing fan or chance passerby who scurries up the long flight of stairs leading to Stillman's Gym on Eighth Avenue between 54th and 55th Streets in New York City, and plunks thirty-five cents into the outstretched palm of Jack Curley, who mans the turnstile, buys himself a grand afternoon's entertainment.

From 1 o'clock to 3 in the afternoon on any day including Sundays and holidays, the fan may sit back comfortably and watch a parade of pugs go through their training paces. Champions and near-champions, has-beens, and up-and-coming youngsters clamber in and out of the two large rings up front. A stairway at the rear of the gymnasium leads to the exercise floor where the fighters skip rope, punch the light or heavy bag, or go through loosening-up calisthenics.

Lou Stillman, proprietor of the gym that bears his name, enrolling a newcomer.

It's an afternoon well-spent, but it's a pity that the customers can't be let in on the real entertainment supplied by many characters who play the leading roles in this scenario of sock. These include the boxers, managers, matchmakers, trainers, and publicity men. The belly laughs their authentic antics provoke, would put a top-flight Broadway musical to shame.

The lunch counter at the back of Stillman's is the center of the stage. You see a matchmaker of a boxing arena like Max Joss, Moe Fleischer (no relative of Nat's), or Joe McKenna, usually has an office for which he pays a fairly high rental but generally, when he wants to transact some very important business, he hies himself to the gym and haggles with the managers over terms for the use of a fighter. Many an important match has been closed over a cup of coffee and doughnuts, or in one of the numerous niches near the lunch counter.

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SUDDENLY a voice attracts your attention. ". . . so I'm fighting in the semi-windup at the Broadway Arena the other night and this guy is a cutie and a pretty fair banger to the bargain. He puts me on the deck twice but I come back to win. It's a helluva fight so they put us back on top the follerin' week. I'm swingin' on the gate for twenty pernts. This time I'm in great shape, weigh only about 143 pounds, and I'm hep to this gee. All I does is stick and move, stick and move. Soon, I'm givin' him a paint job and I cops the duke."

We know you're amazed because the speaker is a portly, pot-bellied gent of at least forty-five. We can't blame you if your jaw droops in dismay and you exclaim, "Ye gods! Is he a *fighter?*"

Well, the portly personality is Eddie Walker, a leading manager of fighters. The majority of fight managers always use the first person when describing a bout which any of their boxers have engaged in. It's never "my fighter" but more often "me" or "I." For example, when a match is offered, the average fight pilot will reply, "Sure, *I'll* fight your guy." Some of the more modest managers condescend to use "we" or "us."

However, when it comes to taking a punch on the chin, the manager usually refers to that "bum of mine, the blankety-blank stiff."

Translating the confusing jargon of the ring, fight manager Walker, one of America's outstanding figures in boxing, was simply explaining how his battler boxed in the semi-final at the Ridgewood Grove against a clever, hard puncher. His pug was on the floor twice but came back to win a sensational brawl.

The promoter at Ridgewood Grove put both men back in the main event the following week with Walker's charge drawing down twenty per cent of the net receipts. In the second encounter, our hero is in good condition, weighing 143 pounds, and wise to the tactics of his adversary. He jabs and moves cleverly throughout the fight, and smears his foe's face red with blood to win the decision.

Johnny Dundee, who set a record for rope-skipping at Stillman's Gym.

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SPEAKING of fighters reminded the boys of "Bat" Norfolk, a huge rubber, who stood well over six feet and weighed about 260 pounds. A mild-mannered Bible student who believed in constantly "turning the other cheek," poor "Bat" was set afire enough times via the hotfoot method to warm half the population of New York City. Although he possessed a massive pair of maulies that could stave in a brick wall, Norfolk managed to keep cool

This is the home of the famous Stillman's Gymnasium, where the world's greatest fistic stars prepare for their bouts.

under the constant torment to which he was subjected.

The story goes that "Bat" Norfolk did lose his temper one day when he was a pretty fair heavyweight fighter. Bat was piloted by an unscrupulous individual who continually paid him off in peanuts. One night when Norfolk was scheduled to box, he found out that he was supposed to be getting $100 instead of the $50 his manager said was due him.

He cornered his pilot and in no uncertain terms let him know that he'd practice his bag-punching exercises upon that worthy's chin if the pay-off was incorrect. Norfolk's handler, without a murmur of protest, instantly acquiesced. This seemed strange to "Bat." The payoff was set to take place after the bout in a garage adjacent to the arena.

It was pitch black when the fight mentor stepped inside the garage and called, "Bat! Oh Bat! Where are you?"

"Heah Ah is," rumbled the Negro heavyweight who was standing beside him all the time!

"O.K. Norfolk. Here's the dough." Holding ten ONE dollar bills in his mitt the manager began to count: "Ten, twenty, thirty, forty, fifty dollars . . ." Norfolk interrupted the count.

"Jes' a moment, boss. Yo' is bein' too damn nice to ol' Bat. I'd like to see dis dough 'stead of feelin' it. Le's come outside heah where there is mo' light."

The manager sensed a murder and beat a hasty retreat. The scurrilous scoundrel is still among the missing.

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LITTLE CHARLIE GOLDMAN, an outstanding trainer, storms up the stairs and heads for the lunch counter. "What's this fight game comin' to?" he demands of no one in particular as he orders a "cuppa cawfee."

"Bunch of Johnny-Come-Latelys ruining this business. I'm up in Zunk's (Mike Jacobs' assistant matchmaker) office trying to close for a match for this new preliminary kid of mine. Zunk says, 'Will yuh fight this McCormick kid? He's a beginner like your kid. Wait, I'll call his manager.'

"So he gets on the phone and dials a number,"-Goldman relates between sips and bites, "and the next thing he's asking 'is this Goldsmith's Department store? Well, I'd like to speak to Mr. Saunders of Ladies' Wear!'

"Ladies' Wear Department.

"A fine thing boxing comes to when a manager must be located in such a place!

"All we have today is cloak and suiters, buttonhole makers and ladies' underwear salesmen handling fighters. Ye Gods! What's boxing coming to! No wonder so many poor kids get socked around until they get punchy!"

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WHITEY BIMSTEIN, another greater trainer, joins the gabfest. "Did I ever tell you about the time I managed a fighter with a floating rib?" he inquires.

"Well, it seems that this 'tiger' of mine had been hurt around the ribs in a previous fight, and before you knew it he was an honest to goodness hypochondriac about his rib. One night he was boxing in the Queensboro Arena and halfway through the third round he was clouted hard in the midsection. When he got back to the corner, he started complaining about his side and wanted to quit. I coaxed him to go out for the next round and he started out fine, but as soon as he was belted in the belly, he looked to quit again!

"He kept back-pedaling," Whitey related, "and when he reached my corner he hollered, 'Whitey throw in the towel!' I ignored him and he stayed on the bicycle, clinching and running. He came around to the corner again, and once more he shouted, 'Whitey, throw in the towel!' I acted as if I hadn't heard him. He was desperate and kept circling his man. Finally he came around to the corner for the third time in the round, and then he screamed, 'Whitey, you better throw in that towel, I ain't comin' around again!'"

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STILLMAN'S GYM is quiet and almost deserted now as the last sparring session comes to an end. The crowd of fight guys has thinned out to a mere handful.

Tex Sullivan, stellar publicity man for Jimmy Braddock when the latter was champ, and now a manager of several name fighters and a promoter, is discussing some publicity angles for his next show at the Ridgewood Grove. Someone asks him if he's heard from Braddock lately, and it isn't long before likeable Tex, manager of Lee Oma, George Kochan and Lee Q. Murray, is reminiscing about some experiences Braddock had on a barnstorming tour when he was at the peak of his popularity.

"You know," said Tex, "Jim once picked up an easy $200 just for chewing the fat.

"The champ was on a tour," Sullivan revealed, "and he received a wire offering him $200 to umpire the first inning of a baseball game in the backwoods of Kentucky. Braddock was in Louisville at the time and he wired back accepting the offer. Jim started out by car on a cold, gray morning with a threatening overcast sky above. As Mushky Jackson, the Malaprop King would have phrased it, 'Braddock and his gang arrived just in the knack of time 'cause it was grizzling furiously.'

"Although the ball game was probably called off because of the heavy rain," Sullivan went on, "the champ decided to drive down to the ball field. Braddock entered the deserted grandstand and was bemoaning his tough luck, when suddenly a tall stranger who looked as if he had just emerged from a Li'l Abner comic strip approached Jim.

"'Yer the champ, ain'tcha?' he inquired. 'Muh name is Ezra Hawkins and I'm the promoter of this hyar baseball game. Sorry about the rain.'

"The hillbilly joined Braddock in his moody silence and then slapped his thigh as if struck with an inspiration. 'Say,' he beamed, 'my grandpappy is over to the house with a bunch of his pals. I wonder if yuh'd mind a-comin' down there and shake hands with the boys for the two hundred?'

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COWBOY CLOUTER

Ruben Shank, Colorful Colorado Battler Recently Discharged From Coast Guard, Aims High in Middleweight Division

By HARVEY BRIGHT

A COLORFUL, two-fisted Colorado cowboy, recently discharged from the Coast Guard, has invaded the middleweight ranks, hoping to become the first world's boxing champion from his home state since Jack Dempsey held the heavyweight crown.

Cowboy Ruben Shank of Denver boasts of a fistic career almost as fabulous as that of the great Manassa Mauler. Born in Keensburg, Colorado, on August 8, 1921, Ruben, one of a brood of eight, pitched in with the "thinnin', toppin', weedin', and hoein'" on his father's sugar beet farm when he was only seven years old. Adjoining his father's farm was a cattle ranch where Shank learned to bust broncos, rope and bulldog steers and herd cattle.

The Shank family had to move from the farm when a five-year drought made it impossible to raise crops. Young Ruben liked to box. He idolized a couple of older brothers who boxed, but never got very far because they had to devote too much time to the farm. However, Rube and his brother Adam teamed up in a brother act and fought each other all over their home state on charity shows and smokers. At the age of 14, weighing only 118 pounds, Ruben began to appear on numerous amateur cards. As a simon-pure he competed in 13 amateur tourneys and won 11. Shank reached the finals in the A.A.U. Nationals at Boston in 1939.

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REMINISCING about his career in the amateur ranks when he was still a kid in knee pants, Rube recalled how most of the fellows he fought were at least eight years older, heavier and much more experienced.

"I used to give them guys plenty of what for," Shank grinningly remembered. "They were really OLD fellers, 'round 20 or 21 years, and me, I was only a kid, 14 or 15, and I could step rings around them. Yessir, I was a good fighter when I was young."

Shank is now a doddering old codger of 24!

Cowboy Rube turned pro late in 1939, engaged in a few fights around Denver and then left for California. He remained on the Coast for one year, engaging in 21 bouts and dropped only one decision. In Hollywood, the Stadium promoter awards a bonus to the fighter making the best showing on the card. Rube walked off with the bonus five times in seven appearances.

Returning to Denver, he boxed Jack Chase, then using the ring name of Young Joe Louis, in his first star bout. Shank was only 19 years old then, while Chase was a nationally ranking fighter, a distinction he still holds. Rube fought the seasoned, clever Chase to a standstill, dropping a close eight-round decision. For this mighty effort, Shank was rewarded with the munificent sum of approximately $30! The gross gate was only $400.

Shank then was offered a main go against Cosby Linson in New Orleans, and took a ten-round decision from the Southerner, who is now his stablemate. This was the first time Rube had boxed over that route. The Cowboy next decided to try his luck around Minneapolis and after he had whipped Johnny Roszina and Warren Corbett in 1942, he was established as a local card.

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FRITZIE ZIVIC, barnstorming around the country after losing his welterweight title to Red Cochrane, decided to accept the offer of the Minneapolis promoter and box Shank there. After all, a couple of grand is a couple of grand, and how good could this Cowboy yokel be?

Shank was only 20 years old then, and this marked the second time he was to travel ten rounds. The local boxing gentry gave Shank little or no chance to win, but a capacity crowd turned out to see the former welterweight champion in action against the best Minneapolis had to offer.

While the fans soberly waited for Zivic to belt their man out, Shank kept punching, staying with the cute Pittsburgher, matching him blow for blow. At the halfway mark, it became increasingly apparent that Shank might not only go the limit, but had an excellent chance to win!

Round after round they cheered as Ruben lashed out with telling blows and groaned audibly whenever the former champion retaliated with well-placed wallops. However, when the battle ended, Shank was awarded the decision and was now established nationally!

A week after he defeated Zivic, Shank faced Bobby Berger, a pretty good welterweight, and flattened him in five frames.

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SHANK then returned triumphantly to Denver, where once he had boxed main goes for paltry pittances, to await offers from promoters. Henry Armstrong, another great ex-welter king, making a comeback, was on his way East and decided to stop off at Denver to face Shank when he was offered a match. This time there was considerably much more money in the house than on the night Shank faced Jack Chase, and it was a victorious Shank who took Armstrong's seat on the train heading East.

He boxed in Newark and later faced Ray Robinson in the Garden for his New York debut. Sugar Ray had little trouble stopping the Cowboy, who gamely rose from four knockdowns in two rounds before the referee intervened.

"I don't want to take anything away from Ray Robinson," Shank drawlingly emphasizes, "but that great big old Garden shore did scare me. I couldn't seem to get going and then I got careless too. Robinson is a great fighter and I'd like to meet him again soon."

Shank enlisted in the Coast Guard and served for more than three years before being honorably discharged. While in the service he defeated Izzy Jannazzo, kayoed Vinnie Vines and whipped Artie Levine. He grew into a middleweight. This year he has defeated Ossie Harris, the crack Negro middleweight, and won his rubber fight with Zivic, who had defeated him in their second meeting. In his most recent fight at this writing, he lost a close decision to Chuck Hunter in Cleveland, despite the fact that he was down twice. Though the verdict was against him, many among the fans thought that he had won.

While in the service Shank received the disheartening news that his beloved brother Adam, with whom he used to box, was killed in action while serving with the Army at Le Haye, France. "Adam was doing very well in service bouts, fighting as a lightweight," Shank sadly said. "He was undefeated, and I honestly thought he might have become a world's champion."

Like his Colorado countryman, Dempsey, Cowboy Shank believes in giving his all once inside the ropes, be it in the gym or a regular fight. His sparring sessions at Stillman's are regular ring wars, and his manager, Chris Dundee, kiddingly chides him, telling him the "fans will be up here to see you fight for two bits instead of paying real money at the arenas."

When not boxing, he is affable, and spends his spare time visiting wounded servicemen in the hospitals. Shank is always flashily attired in gaudy shirts and mackinaws, high-heeled boots, ten gallon sombrero and kerchief.

"I ain't-a-posin'," the Cowboy Clouter solemnly informs us. "I always dress that way out in my part of the country."

King of the Congo

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in the hunts, and reluctantly sharing in the work in the tribal gardens.

After his father died, Thomas no longer felt any home ties binding him, so he shipped on a freighter to Marseilles.

Then came cruises to most of the Mediterranean ports, a trip to South America, back to France again, across the Atlantic once more to New York and Keewani settled in America. He was a kitchen boy for a wealthy Red Bank, N. J., family, and it was there that he made the acquaintance of Mickey Walker who took a great liking to the little Negro boy. The former middleweight king fastened the ring name of Beezy Thomas to the colorful little lad and carried him around the training camps for laughs. Mickey even taught Beezy to box.

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IN due time Beezy drifted to the natural habitat of all characters of clout—Stillman's Gym—where he became as much a fixture as the punching bags suspended from the ceiling. He shined shoes, provided plenty of chuckles, and earned quite a bit of money by boxing on the side. You won't find his record in Nat Fleischer's great all-time book, because his fistic career revolved around one Long Sing Que. Long Sing was a Chinese flyweight boxer and had really mingled with a lot of good up and coming kids, but Beezy had his number. They boxed each other at smokers and charity affairs in what has been unofficially reckoned to be 125 bouts! Beezy knocked Long Sing Que out only once in these furious settos which never failed to bring down the house.

It was while shining shoes at Stillman's that Tony Canzoneri took a fancy to the Congo boy and engaged him as training camp jester. When Canzoneri was training for his second fight with Jackie "Kid" Berg, Beezy called him aside and seriously confided, "You goan win tree roun. Me pray in Congo language for you. No can lose when Beezy make voodoo."

Canzoneri laughed uproariously at Thomas' unusual earnestness. However, when he won in the exact round that Beezy predicted, Tony found himself almost believing in the "magic" of the little Negro. After that Tony and Beezy were inseparable. Resplendently attired in a silk topper, white tie and tails the little mascot would station himself near Canzoneri's corner and put the "hex" on the great champion's opponent.

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LATER, Thomas went back to shining shoes and entertaining the mob at Stillman's. If he liked you, the little Negro put the "good" sign upon you and success was assured. But, as many a citizen of hashed beak boulevard will grimly attest, if this Eighth Avenue witch doctor wreaked the vengeance of his unseen gods upon some hapless individual, misfortune was certain to dog the unfortunate one's footsteps forever.

It was a hilarious sight when Beezy faced his arch enemy, big lumbering "Bat" Norfolk. There would be Beezy, a flyweight at his heaviest, squaring off and flailing the air with threatening punches at big Bat

Beezy Thomas as he appeared in Stillman's Gymnasium holding up the round card.

who stood at least four inches over six feet. "Go way now liddle man," Norfolk would rumble.

Many have seen Thomas, an amazing linguist who spoke English, French, Italian and Yiddish fluently, face the giant-sized trainer and mutter imprecations in many tongues; and bashing his head against a wall ten, twenty, even thirty times with resounding thuds, he would invoke black magic. It was a strange sight to see his eyes roll as in a half-stupor he muttered imprecations.

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POOR little Beezy vanished one day. Someone had tipped off the immigration authorities that the pint-sized pug had entered the country illegally. The last heard from Beezy was that he was in France. When Hitler overran the Maginot Line and later visited Paris, the boys on Jacobs' Beach were assured that Adolf's goose was cooked if only Beezy could get close enough to put the evil sign on the Bavarian madman's head.

It never came off. The "hex," that is. Perhaps it worked only in the smoky confines of Stillman's. Maybe poor Beezy's heart wasn't in it any more after being shipped so far from the great country he loved. Whatever the reason, his memory is still highly respected by many a fighter who will earnestly claim that his subsequent success was due to Beezy's blessings.

The "Champ of the Congo"—a fistic character that long will be remembered on Jacobs' Beach.

England's Mike Jacobs

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knocked about like that again. The only way to do that was to stop fighting, so I did and married her. It's just on 26 years now. Fay was right about me as a fighter."

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AS he talks thus, the big square-shouldered heavy body shakes with quiet laughter and the pale eyes sparkle. He is interrupted by telephone callers, to whom he says: "I'll call you back," and writes down the name and number.

Solomons is proud of his accomplishment so far and of his organization. With him and his brother Maxie, in all their dealings, is Sammy Burns, son of ex-welter champion Sid Burns, who, in 1910, went the distance with Carpentier.

Burns, who bears an astonishing square-rigged resemblance to the promoter, is an old newspaperman who, as reporter, publicity man and organizer, has been in the middle of every big fight in this country for many years.

Solomons visualizes the program attractions. Burns works them out in terms of pounds, shillings and pence.

"It's all a matter of scaling the house," says Burns. "Any mug can throw in a pot of money and grab off the plums. Jack doesn't do that. He *makes* the plums."

It is a fact that Solomons is the first British promoter in years to go about the business on a purely professional basis. Our promoters have been too prone to cover up their match-making deficiencies with big-syndicate subsidies. Solomons aims to stop that. He takes a realist view of such people as Mike Jacobs.

"What's he got that we haven't got?" he says. "We have a beautiful organization. You saw the beautiful—and this has reference to paying-capacity, not physical attraction—people we had at the ringside at Tottenham. We sell out our ringside every time we run a show—before we announce a name on the bill.

"That's done on confidence. We don't take any liberties, and the fight fans know it."

This is Solomons. He has the stage and, in Bruce Woodcock, he has the best British heavyweight prospect for many years.

In order to obtain the best available American talent to compete against the British in International post-war matches, Jack has contracted to have Nat Fleischer, Editor of THE RING, act as his club American representative. All business on the other side of the Big Pond will be transacted through THE RING Editor, one of America's foremost authorities on boxing.

Nat FLEISCHER says:

RING Interview Causes Commotion

Lax Supervision Brings Ring Deaths

Jack Solomons Seeks American Talent

THE commotion raised by THE RING's interview with Chairman Eddie Eagan of the New York State Athletic Commission in re the Louis-Conn fight, was sufficient evidence of the huge interest in the return engagement of the world heavyweight champion and his foremost contender. The interview in which Lieut. Col. Eagan bluntly stated that he and his colleagues would look with extreme disfavor upon Mike Jacobs' proposed plan, as outlined by him to Jimmy Powers, Sports Editor of the *Daily News,* to take the fight to Philadelphia, brought to light quickly the fact that no such move is contemplated by Jacobs.

Uncle Mike, quick to sense the unfriendly attitude of New York fight fans, his chief source of revenue, towards such a program, announced that at no time had he any intention of taking the bout away from the Empire City of boxing. It has been learned that the Yankee Stadium will be the scene of action and that Thursday, June 20, will be the date for the return championship tilt. The only thing that is lacking is the official announcement, something that cannot be made before the bout receives official approval from the boxing commission.

Jacobs' chief objection to staging the fight in New York, is the five percent tax on gross profits from motion pictures of the bout, and Mike has been assured that this portion of the boxing law will be repealed so that the tax will be collected only from profits made within the state. He also has been assured of a lower rental on the Yankee Stadium because of the huge sum the bout is sure to gross. Thus the two chief obstacles have been removed, as Mike suspected they would be when he began his bluster about "taking the fight to Philadelphia," a story that brought about our interview with Eagan that received national recognition.

I never for a moment thought it would be otherwise. The scribes who accused me of being in kahoots with Uncle Mike and running the interview as the beginning of a ballyhoo for the big fight, may rest assured that Mike Jacobs didn't require nor ask for such collusion. His competent staff of ballyhoo artists, with Harry Markson and Walter St. Denis in charge, will carry on all the ballyhoo that is necessary.

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EIGHT deaths in ring action this year, is a record that calls for exceptional preventive measures on the part of boxing commissions in closer supervision over the sport and more thorough physical examinations of contestants. There have been more injuries and deaths in pro boxing this year than in any two years over a stretch of fifteen. The reason? The use of many youngsters in their teens who, through unscrupulous managers, have been worked beyond their physical capacity. Lads only recently graduated from amateur boxing have been signed for two and often three bouts a week. Some have suffered two and often three knockouts over a stretch of six days without any interference on the part of the commission. It doesn't take much of an injury for a boy under twenty, following such kayoes, to succumb.

Only a few weeks ago, two newcomers each fought three successive nights in New England and each was knocked out twice. In each case the medical examiner passed the lads as physically fit, yet it took less than two minutes for these boys to prove how wrong that boxing official had been.

If we are to save the youth who has chosen boxing as his vocation from an early grave, then we must have physicians in charge of the examinations who think more of their honorable profession than they do of the Almighty Dollar or politics. No youngster just starting or at least under twenty-one, should be permitted to engage in more than one bout a week and a manager who violates his trust to such a boy by signing him for more than one bout should have his license voided.

Some of these hungry managers, to avoid detection, bill their charge in different states on successive nights and get away with their sneaky, slimy work. There's a way to get at those boy killers. Speedy suspension of the manager's license by the state will do the trick.

The latest to suffer death in the ring is Booker T. Washington, Negro heavyweight, recently discharged from the army, and Arthur Walker of Jamaica, N. Y., an eighteen-year-old lad. Washington died following a knockout in the Oakland, California, Auditorium, by Silent Escobar, and Walker in his first amateur bout in New York. Washington succumbed to a sub-bural hemorrhage according to the Oakland coroner. The police report states that he sustained the fatal injury when his head struck the floor following a knockout punch.

That being the case, it behooves the authorities to see that the proper padding is furnished to check the body from landing on the bare floor. Thus, chances of injury would be lessened.

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BENNY LEONARD is one of those who takes issue with Gene Tunney on the coming Louis-Conn battle. Says Benny: "The champ and challenger will come out for the big fight next June in good condition regardless of the lack of tune up fights. Both have had several hundred exhibitions in the service, both overseas and at home, and these at least have kept the men in good physical condition.

"I know that Conn has a pot belly and likewise Louis, but they'll take that extra poundage off after three or more months of hard training. They won't be as fast as they were in the previous bout. That much must be expected. But they'll be fit for a good bout and from my experience, I predict that the spectators won't be disappointed."

I agree with Leonard. Though the lack of sharpening the eyes with a few tune up contests will leave many weak spots in the make-up of champion and challenger, the keen rivalry will still be there and the urge to win on the part of Billy and to retain the crown on the part of Joe, will be so strong that a good fight is certain to be the result.

Gene Tunney's indictment of Conn was close to the most severe ever handed out to a topnotch fighter preparing for a world championship bout. Only Bill Brown's blast of Max Baer at Asbury Park topped it. There can be no doubt that without the preliminary bouts neither Louis nor Conn will be as sharp as before they went into the army. The skill and speed of Conn will be hampered by the edict of Mike Jacobs that Billy must refrain from engaging in regular bouts prior to the June meeting with Joe, but since Louis will likewise be handicapped, the punch is what I think is going to decide the bout. And since Louis has the wallop, he will go into the ring a hot favorite.

The thing for Joe and Billy to do, is to get busy now—the

sooner the better, on a long training schedule, and when the sparring sessions are reached, get the best available talent to work with. Men who are capable of giving and taking, boxers who are fast, good jabbers, hard hitters, clever in ducking, sidestepping and counter punching—in short, the best that money can buy. Such type of preparation will make up for the lack of tune-up fights.

Louis, we know, has always taken excellent care of himself. Hence he won't need as much work as will Billy who is certain to face a harder hitting Brown Bomber, though a slower one, but one who still can hit the target, especially when that target cannot move about as rapidly as in their first meeting.

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THAT England's leading boxing promoter, Jack Solomons, is planning to give to the Britishers a post-war program much along the line of Mike Jacobs in this country, is evident by appointment of The Ring Editor as his personal representative, with instructions to offer extraordinary inducements to America's outstanding ringmen to make the trip across the Big Pond for competition against England's best talent.

Jack Solomons, like Uncle Mike, is a go-getter well known in this country which he visited with Eric Boon. His aim is to bring to England name fighters who have been rated high in The Ring, and to this end, he has opened negotiations through the writer, with twenty of the leading top notchers.

Offers far beyond what most of these men can obtain in this country except in a world title fight, will be the lure. Jack Solomons hopes through this to get Ray Robinson, Freddie Cochrane, Jake LaMotta, Beau Jack, Bob Montgomery, Juan Zurita, Jimmy Doyle, Tippy Larkin, Willie Pep and Tami Mauriello among others, to take part in international bouts and Mike Jacobs in turn, is dickering for the services in this country of Bruce Woodcock and Freddie Mills to fill out his heavyweight program. Solomons hopes through a special heavyweight program to get a fit opponent for the Louis-Conn victor for a bout in America. With England heading out full force under the leadership of Solomons and Jacobs carrying on with a flock of the world's best talent under contract to fight for him, we may shortly see a revival of the international boxing that flourished in this country and abroad between 1895 and 1914. The sport is sure to benefit by such rivalry and competition.

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IN Al Hoosman, the ebony-skinned former college star who was tipped by the writer as an excellent prospect a year ago, Jimmy Johnston has the best developed boxer who thus far has come out of the services. Al, who last year stopped the Australian light-heavyweight king, and won six bouts Down Under, four via the knockout route, made his U.S. debut at the St. Nick Rink a successful one when he stopped the chunky 182 pound Johnny Davis in four rounds. Al may never reach the top though he shows considerable promise, but he holds the unique distinction for a novice heavyweight, of possessing the most educated left seen hereabouts in many years.

He reminds the old timers very much of the elongated Harry Wills, not only in his straight left, but in his hard hitting right. With proper guidance, Hoosman may be the answer to the promoters' prayer for another outstanding heavyweight. Al is a handsome physical specimen, a sculptor's model. His home is in California. In Australia he stopped Herb Narvo, ranking Australian boxer, and beat Alabama Kid, twice.

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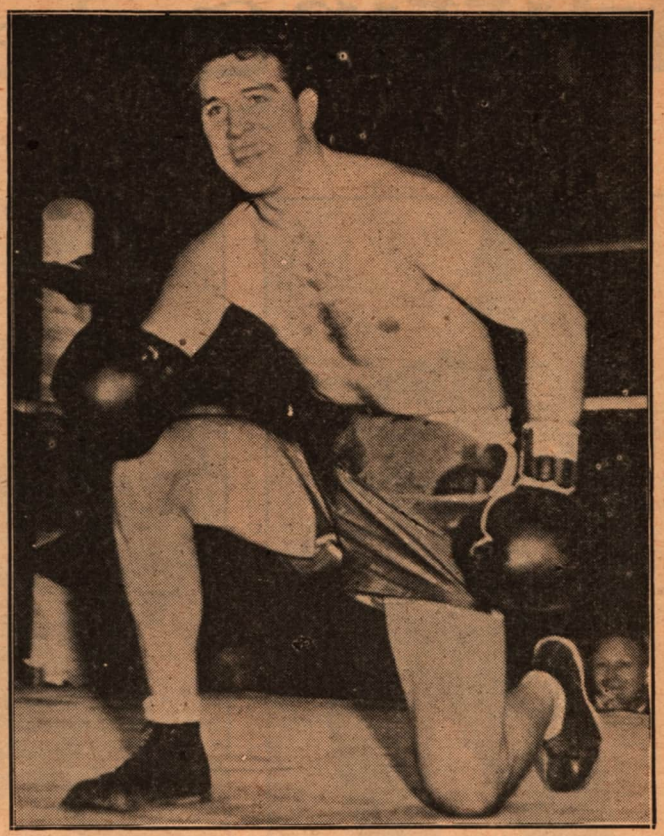
THE part that radio plays in the fight game is recognized by the newly organized "Boxing Promoters of America," headed by Larry Atkins, of Cleveland. In an effort to obtain the necessary ballyhoo and with it the financial aid that comes from broadcast advertising, the promoters of eight leading boxing centers—Philadelphia, Cleveland, Baltimore, Detroit, Boston, Pittsburgh, Buffalo and St. Louis have joined hands. Their aim is to have an outlet for fight shows throughout the country and for this purpose, the organization has signed with Adam Hats which will sponsor the organization's fights.



The Smiling Billy Conn taking a short count after slipping to one knee following a miss in his bout with Bearcat Jones at Cleveland.

Each Monday, in one of the cities mentioned, the Adam Hat Company's broadcast is heard over a national hook-up with Sam Taub of The Ring staff, veteran ace announcer, back on the old job with his thrilling, rapid fire blow-by-blow description.

With Bill Corum, Don Dunphy and Steve Ellis doing a similar job over a national chain each Monday and Friday for the Mike Jacobs shows, sponsored by the Gillette Razor Company, boxing is receiving more national publicity than in a decade. Radio is the greatest publicity medium boxing can have. With the sport rapidly resuming its pre-war status, it won't be long before boxing will be on the air in every city that possesses a major club.

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FORMER middleweight Fred Apostoli, who in his prime was recognized by New York as world title holder, didn't have to debate the topic of retirement very long. Released from the Navy after meritorious sea service that carried him to all parts of the world, Fred, like most old timers who feel they can still hold their own, decided on another comeback. He worked out for several days with Jackie Ryan of San Francisco in preparation for a bout with Frankie Augustain only to find that the will was there but the legs were gone. So Fred took the bull by the horns and announced:

"I could have made $10,000 or more in guarantees to face second-raters who I'm sure I could beat, but after serving in the Navy for a long stretch, I wouldn't want to let my pals down by putting on mediocre performances. If I can't regain proper physical condition to go out and lick the top men, something the boys with whom I served would expect of me, then I don't want to continue as a fighter."

Well said, Fred. You have lived up to the tradition of the men who have been awarded "The Ring's Honor Medal," a cherished prize presented to you last year.

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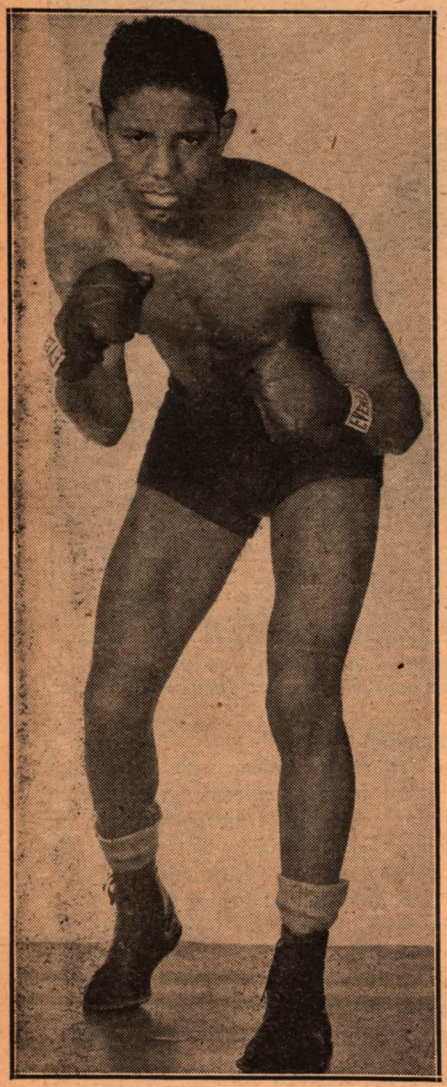
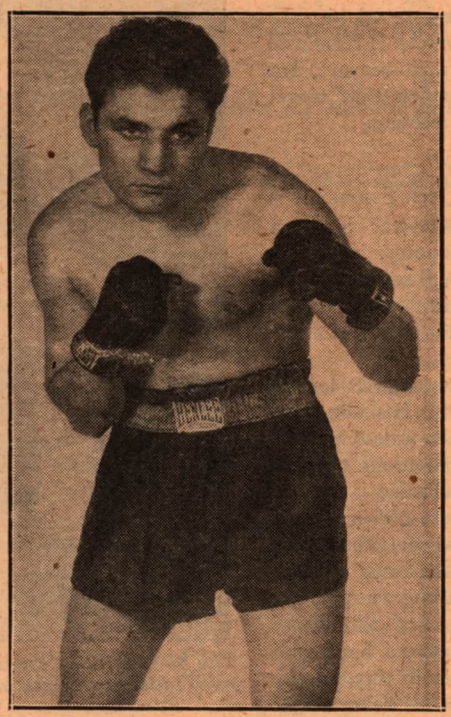
KID CHICKEN, a Pittsburgher, who is campaigning in New England with considerable success, is another member of the armed forces who seems destined *(Continued on page 45)*

Hitting the Spotlight

By FRED EISENSTADT



Charley Smith, a New York fighter with a hefty wallop.



Joe LaMotta, brother of Jake, an excellent middleweight prospect.

Sidney Miller, stablemate of Joe Baksi, a Detroit middleweight.

JOE LAMOTTA

INSTEAD of being an advantage, the fact that he's the young brother of Jake LaMotta has been a drawback to Joe LaMotta. The reason: fans expected wonders from him. Fortunately, Joe possesses sufficient ring ability, strength and punching power to satisfy the fight-hungry fans who come to watch him perform, and as a result Joe has made good on his own.

So dynamic is his fighting style, that Joe was engaging in main events after participating in only a half dozen preliminary contests around the small club circuit. His aggressiveness, speed and vicious body punching have caught on with the fans and captured the attention of promoters. Joe has become a solid attraction in the boxing field.

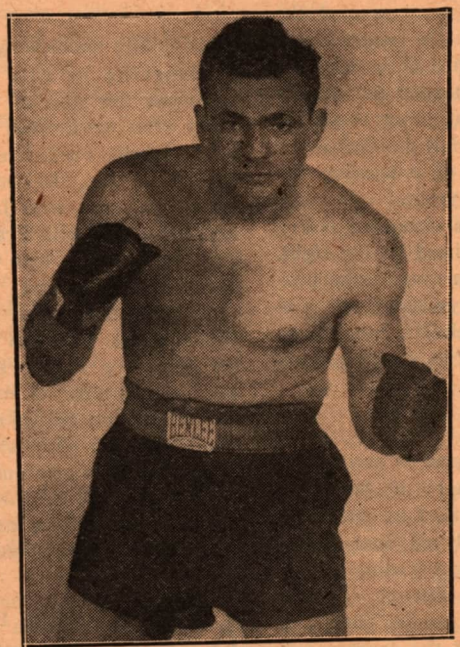
In less than a year of fighting—he started his pro career in February 1945—Joey has kayoed twenty of his 27 opponents. He lost one decision to Jimmy Mills, then boxed him to a draw, and later avenged the loss by stopping him. Among his latest kayo victims are: Danny Aldridge, Bally Carubia, Larney Moore and Indian Gomez.

Joe LaMotta was born on April 27, 1925. He graduated from the Bronx Vocational School at the age of sixteen, where he had taken up mechanics and drafting. Joe took part in only a few amateur contests.

Joe was in the Army one year. He was honorably discharged in September, 1944. Then he settled down to serious training in Bobby Gleason's gym under the direction of his trainer, Charley Gulota, and kept at it until February of the following year.

Joe LaMotta is a prototype of his brother Jake, whom he idolizes. Built along the same lines, stocky and muscular, Joe is, however, faster and more aggressive than the older LaMotta. Practically every one of his fights has been on the sensational side.

Married on July 1, 1945, Joe expects to be a father in about 5 months.



Sgt. Lou Woods, Detroit's hard-hitting middleweight.

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SIDNEY MILLER

WITH Natie Wolfson, manager of Joe Baksi, now handling his affairs, Sidney Miller, Detroit Negro middleweight, feels he has a fine fistic future. Although Miller's record is studded with numerous losses, Wolfson is confident he can make a top-notch pugilist out of Sidney. "Miller was not properly handled," chimes in co-pilot Jesse L. Stern. "He was repeatedly

over-matched. With Nat running things, this won't happen anymore. Evenly matched, Sidney should go places."

Miller is a tireless scrapper. He was born in Uniontown, Alabama, on June 12, 1923, and moved to Detroit at the age of fourteen. He quit grammar school to become a millhand. At 17, he joined the C.C.C. Camp, where he chopped trees for 18 months. Then he returned home and went to work on a milk truck.

Later, he entered an amateur Golden Gloves tournament being held in Gary, Ind., where his brother lived. He kayoed all his five opponents, winning the welterweight title in 1942. Returning to Detroit, he boxed there and also fought in Canada—finishing his simon-pure career of 30 contests without a loss. Sidney kept working right along while boxing. Then, unable to find opponents willing to fight him, he came to New York. That was a year ago.

Sidney Miller has opposed the best welters and middleweights, losing fierce battles to Johnny Green, Freddie Archer and Vinnie Jones—in the Garden. He boxed a thrilling draw with Jerry Fiorello, beat Milton Kessler, Bobby Maloney and others.

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CHARLEY SMITH

IN the fight game, one man's tragedy is another man's fortune.

At the Arena Gardens in Detroit, on the evening of October 6, Charley Smith, 19-year-old Newark, N. J., lightweight, startled fistiana by scoring a technical knockout over Chester Rico in the eighth round. The youthful Negro started proceedings by dropping Rico, whom THE RING had rated that month the sixth best lightweight in the world, with a terrific right to the jaw. When Chester got to his feet, Charley dropped him again. The bell saved Rico.

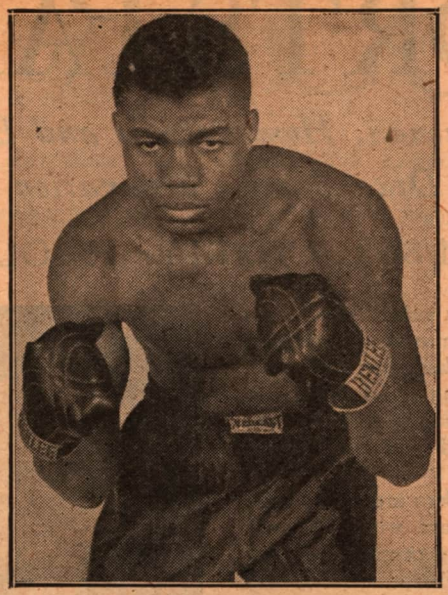
Floored by the Italian in the following round, Smith leaped to his feet and battered his adversary all over the ring. He opened a bad cut over Rico's eye. By the time the eighth round was reached, Rico was in such poor condition that the club doctor ordered the battle stopped.

Smith's TKO over Rico was no surprise to those who have seen the kid knock out other tough opponents. Among them are: Hubert Samuels, Alfonso Malacara, Mario Torres, Dom Amoroso, Mario Colon, Frankie Leta, Al Freda, Jean Barriere, Lefty LaChance, Leo Methot, Jimmy Rizzo and many others. He scored 32 kayoes in 52 of his pro contests.

Born in Morristown, N. J., Charley Smith moved to Newark where he graduated from the South Side high school. He began his boxing career while attending grammar school. He was instructed in the art of fisticuffs by Jimmy Jones, a former amateur boxer with over 200 battles to his credit. Jones, together with Angelo Pucci, manager of Tippy Larkin, is now handling the hard-hitting youngster.

As an amateur, Charley won 34 out of forty contests. He was no puncher then, but Jones keeps drilling him in the gym every day, instructing him in the art of hitting—with plenty of shoulder behind it. As a result, Charley Smith is now rated as one of the meanest clouters at his weight.

The Negro boy, a polite and level-headed young man, has gained verdicts from among such fighters as Zach Taylor, Georgie Cooper, Sammy Mammone, Jeff Holloway, Vince Dell 'Orto, Jackie Peters, Emmitt Crier and Leon Spencer. He has dropped ten decisions in his career; one was a hotly contested 10 round battle to Ike Williams, holder of the NBA lightweight title, and one was a knockout at the hands of Artie Levine.



Mayhew Smith, an aggressive New York welterweight, a good club fighter.

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MAYHEW SMITH

COURAGE, aggressiveness and steady punching are Mayhew Smith's greatest assets. Full of fight, Smith invariably wages an unrelenting attack on his rivals. He can absorb wicked blows and come back fighting. His weight is 145 pounds.

Born in Washington, N. C., on June 17, 1923, Mayhew Smith played baseball and football in high school.

"I was also pretty good at track and swimming," he added. "But my great ambition was to become a fighter. So, in 1940, at the age of seventeen, I quit school and came to New York."

While visiting the Harlem Boys Social Club and the Crescent Salem, where he played basketball, boxing trainer and handler Howard Reed became interested in him and taught him the fundamentals of fisticuffs. Mayhew supported himself with odd jobs, and in 1942 began boxing in the amateurs. A year later, after winning nine out of 12 contests, he turned pro. After taking part in ten bouts, he enlisted in the Army. He boxed several exhibitions while in the service.

Since being honorably discharged last March, Smith has fought ten bouts under the management of Frank Rivers, genial Harlem sportsman. He drew with Johnny Brown and Felix Morales, beat Benny Williams, Tony Rios, kayoed Billy Daniels in the Garden and halted Jack Tarzan's winning streak of fifteen straight victories. He lost to Danny Martin and was stopped by middleweight Bert Lytell, whom Mayhew dropped for a short count; also by a few other thoroughly experienced fighters. He lost a hotly contested battle to Phil Palmer.

"What I like most about Mayhew Smith," says his manager, "is his courage and ambition. I intend to do all I can to bring him to the top."

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SGT. LOU WOODS

FROM Detroit which produced Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis, there recently arrived another fighter of merit: Sgt. Lou Woods, conqueror of Tommy Bell and other top-ranking fighters. A short time ago, Lou lost a split decision to the foremost middleweight challenger, Jake LaMotta, in a sizzling ten-rounder. Gene Kessler, of the Chicago *Times*, thought Woods had won eight rounds.

Rugged and courageous, the Detroit 155-pounder gave the great Ray Robinson a terrific battle for nine rounds—the bout being stopped because Lou had sustained a badly cut eye. The same result occurred in his scrap with George Costner. "I was not knocked out by the pair, as the records state," Woods modestly defends himself, "though I realize that when one is stopped, regardless of the reason it goes down in the record books as a kayo."

Before his meeting with Robinson and Costner, Lou had beaten Eddie Morgan, Gib Jones, Jack Carpenter, Johnny Lawer, Mike Sopko, Bill Parsons, Lou Angelucci. He scored kayoes over Bob Maloney, Charles Wells, Tommy James, Arnold Deer and a few lesser known scrappers.

Born in Harlan, Ky., on August 10, 1921, Lou comes from a family of eight children. They moved to Detroit about twenty years ago. Lou graduated from Dearborn high school where he starred at football and baseball. "In fact," stated the former army sergeant, "I had a tryout for the St. Louis Browns Farm Club—and becoming a ball player was my original ambition, but I somehow drifted into the boxing game—and I can't say that I'm sorry."

At the age of 18, Lou Woods entered a Golden Gloves tournament. As an amateur he won 19 out of 22 contests, but admits he didn't have much of a punch; didn't score a single knockout. But when he turned pro, in May, 1941, he says he kayoed nine of his first 12 opponents—winning nineteen straight, losing his twentieth bout to Charley Hayes.

Lou joined the Army in January 1943, and was stationed at Camp Grant, in Illinois. After basic training, he was retained there as head boxing instructor. He married his childhood sweetheart, Joyce Thorpe, on January 27, 1943. They have a 6-months'-old son, Robert Louis.

After being honorably discharged on May 28, 1945, he took a good rest. Four months later, he beat Sparky Reynolds. A short time afterward he became acquainted with Adam Pianga, who boxed under the name of Young Kid McCoy. They became good friends. Pianga advised Lou to come to New York and box under the direction of Tex Sullivan, Adam's old manager.

Lou Woods, at this writing, has had one fight under Sullivan's guardianship. He whipped the rough and aggressive Coolidge Miller, spotting him ten pounds. A gentle, soft-spoken young man, Lou is serious about his boxing career. The two things he wants most is: first to earn plenty of money for the sake of his little family. Second: to avenge himself over Ray Robinson and George Costner.

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GI SPORTS PARADISE

Cure for Lonesomeness, Homesickness and Boredom Found at Camp Dix, Army's Separation Center

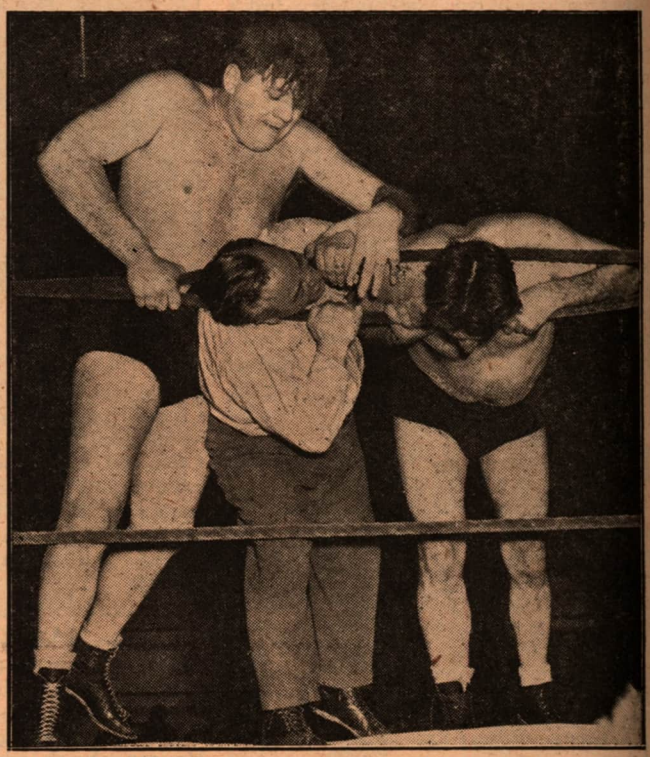
By M/SGT. CHARLES H. CLARK

THERE'S one ailment that all GIs suffer from. It's a combination of homesickness, lonesomeness and boredom. Well, the Fort Dix Sports Arena has a cure for that. A large size dose of top-notch boxing bouts, mixed well with some superbly staged wrestling clambakes, is given to them twice a week. And the patients thrive on it and come back howling for more.

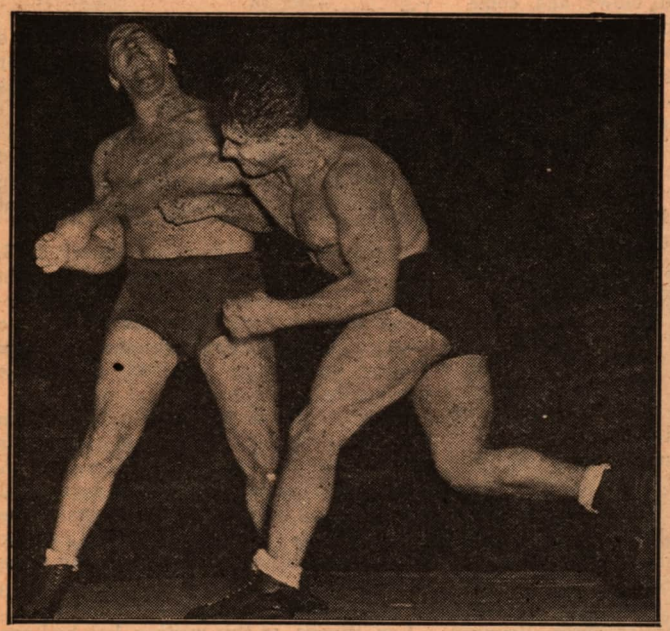
In fact, since the opening of this ultra-modern arena in March, 1942, more than a million GIs per year have witnessed these crowd-pleasing shows. The arena, which is one of the most completely equipped Army athletic centers in the country, was erected at a cost of $400,000. Within the huge edifice there are facilities for boxing, basketball and every conceivable means of physical training.

Major Frank G. Hartleroad was the first Athletic Officer when the Dix Sports Arena was just starting to become a weekly habit for soldiers stationed at, and visiting Fort Dix. In civilian life, Major Hartleroad is Director of Welfare in Trenton, New Jersey. Captain Edward C. Roundy, of Waterville, Maine, the Athletic Director of Colby College, succeeded the major and has since retired from active service. At present Lt. Cliff Freeland, known formally as Clifton P. Freeland, of Jersey City, N. J., is the man in charge of the fistic goings-on. Freeland is one of the country's foremost jiu-jitsu instructors.

For an audience consisting mostly of veterans returning home from overseas and men awaiting discharge, the Arena bouts are made up with newly-inducted Jeeps providing the pugilistic pyro-



Referee Joe Valentine gets his head tangled up in the ropes with Butch Slater as Babe Sharkey does the dirty work during an exhibition at Fort Dix Sports Arena.



Lou Farino, recently discharged from the Army, clips Pedro Gomez in a wrestling exhibition at Fort Dix. These pro wrestlers have entertained the service men often on nights when they have been free.

technics. And a terrific job they do too. Most of them have that fresh civilian blood in them and they're out to make an impression on someone—generally their opponent.

Since the formal dedication program on March 7, 1942, more than 3,200 fighters have stepped into the squared battleground and given their all for their soldier buddies. Just twice in that period have the shows failed to go on. Both times heavy gales were responsible for postponement of the affairs. Two hundred weeks of boxing—that's the Dix Sports Arena's record to date, a record of which they can well be proud.

From time to time boxing and wrestling celebrities come to Dix and referee the bouts or put on exhibitions. A list of these visiting fistic dignitaries reads like a boxing who's who. Among them were: Joe Louis, Benny Leonard, Lew Tendler, Mickey Walker, Harry Wills, Freddie Cochrane, Johnny Greco, Tami Mauriello, Tony Janiro, Bobby Ruffin, Jumping Joe Savoldi, Dynamite Joe Cox, Strangler Ed White, Dick Lever, Wladislaw Talun, Tony Galento, Babe Sharkey, Lou Ambers, Tony Canzoneri, James J. Braddock, and Sal Bartolo.

The boxing programs are arranged by the soldier matchmakers, the first of whom was Sgt. Joe Korey of Buffalo, N. Y., former boxer and more recently discharged from the Army because of age. Sgt. Alex Debreczeni, the present matchmaker, from Daisytown, Pennsylvania, is a former second.

But the top man in the opinion of the 3,000 GIs who jam the arena each week is the perennial third man in the ring, Joe Valentine. Mr. Five by Five, a name which is readily understandable when one sees Joe in action, is one of the oldest sporting figures in the Dix Arena history. Joe not only referees the shows but throws in the announcing for free on the side.

Valentine's boxing career ended rather abruptly when some guy planted an Everlast firmly against his classic proboscis. He decided announcing was easier and then angled his way finding out the insides of promoting around Camden, N. J., his home town. The "Poor Man's Tex Rickard" soon *(Continued on page 27)*

KING *of the* CONGO

The Story of Beezy 'Keewani' Thomas, the Court Jester of Stillman's Gymnasium and Jacobs' Beach

By IRVING RUDD

HE was short and ugly, his face a mass of scars, and he was the proud possessor of two cauliflower ears which proved that when he was a fighter, he did not block all the punches thrown at him with his elbows.

Self-styled "Champ of the Congo" Beezy Keewani was one of the strangest characters ever to drift into the fight game—a racket which has housed the finest specimens of queer people ever assembled. Thomas was a full-blooded African, born in the French Congo, the son of a native chief. Beezy's father had 50 wives and 30 children, so says Beezy. For the first 14 years of his life Beezy led the normal, romantic existence of the jungle boy. It was a carefree, indolent life with plenty of naps in the hot sun, fishing, joining the tribe *(Continued on page* 11)

Beezy, the "Lucky Man" for Tony Canzoneri, amusing spectators at Stillman's with an imitation of "my Mah-ster Tony," in training. In the above are, left to right, Al Ramo, trainer; Harry Levy, Lou Stillman, owner of the gym; Jack Curley, his chief of staff; Red Kelly, trainer; Benny Valgar and Lou Brix, manager of Sixto Escobar. Brix died three years ago.

GARDEN CELEBRATES 20th ANNIVERSARY

Sixty-Six Years of Uninterrupted Service to American Life Is the Proud Record of New and Old Madison Square Garden—Originally Built to House the National Horse Show, It Now Occupies a Distinctive Place in the Nation's Outstanding Sports and Amusement Centers

By "THE RING" EDITOR

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IN 1890, a brilliant architect named Stanford White had the satisfaction of seeing a dream come true in the reality of brick, stucco and stone. This reality was called Madison Square Garden. It covered a city block, was done in buff cream and terra cotta, had an arcade, and a 340-foot tower, and was the place where sports, social life, local and national politics all met on common ground. Staring out into space with unwavering bronze eyes, with her bronze Greek face immobile and her bronze bow aimed at the sky, Diana stood poised atop the old Garden for upwards of thirty years.

Then came a change. New York was to see the destruction of its most famed structure. It was to lose the building whose fame stretched to every nook and corner of the world. On May 5, 1925, the wreckers began the work of demolition, and on May 7, the famous bronze statue of Diana came down from atop its high perch to be kicked around from place to place until she could find a permanent resting place in New York University.

The old Garden went to the dump heap. Its site was taken over by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and Stanford White's magnificent Moorish tower returned to the dust from which it had sprung.

It was on the night of May 4 that the old Garden, grown gray with the years, rang to the last shouts of a fight gathering. It was a farewell such as never before had been seen in this or any other country, one at which the cream of America's sportsmen was present.

From every state in the Union, representatives were on hand to share with their fellow sportsmen from New York a tribute unique in the annals of sports. Men who had not been in the Garden for many years paid high premiums to obtain admittance. Not that they cared so much for the fights, headlined by a battle between Johnny Dundee and Sid Terris, but that they might say goodbye to a place which, in years gone by, had been the scene of some of their gayest evenings.

There were among those present persons who had seen every big fight since 1890 and many other sports events which had been held in the arena. Old-timers predominated. The place was so full of them that Tex Rickard, standing with cane in hand and drawing on his cold cigar, wondered from where they hailed.

"I never seed anything like it before," he remarked, as he gazed down the ringside and looked at the boxes and saw faces of persons he had never before met. But they were all part and parcel of the old Garden, sports who were frequenters of the spacious arena long before "Old Tedge" took over.

That huge gathering, whose celebrities were asked to autograph a parchment distributed from hand to hand by the dapper Frank Daley, copies of which, with the names of the most celebrated sports in America, were later given out as souvenirs, came to pay its respects to the Temple of Sports. Official ceremonies were arranged for the occasion, with Joe Humphreys to act as master, but the clarion-voiced announcer was so overcome that he couldn't go through with it. In its place he read a valedictory ode to the "Temple of Fistiana," after which "Taps" were sounded, "Auld Lang Syne" was sung and the Garden had passed out of the picture as New York's most celebrated structure.

Brig. Gen. John Reed Kilpatrick, president of the Garden, under whose guidance the "House that Tex Built" has become the world's greatest sports center.

As the crowd streamed through the gates to the streets, one recognized Bernard Gimbel, John McE. Bowman, Alfred B. Maclay, president of the National Horse Show; James I. Bush, Walter Camp, Oliver Harriman, Jay Gould, William Muldoon, James J. Walker, Kermit and Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Tim Mara, William H. Eagan, Damon Runyon, John Ringling, James J. Marshall, John H. O'Brien, Tad Dorgan, Rube Goldberg, Grantland Rice, Walter Trumbull, John M. Chapman, Jimmy DeForest, George E. Brower, John J. Phelan, Charles Harvey, and Peter Prunty, in addition to hundreds of old-time fighters, fight managers, movie stars, theatrical celebrities, and city, state and national political figures.

England has her Crystal Palace, Olympia and Wonderland. Athens has her famous Stadium, and other nations had and still have their show places where the crowds gather to see their sports and pastimes. But in the old Garden, America had a

building in which thousands gathered annually, attracted by magnets involving the world's most noteworthy performers, both men and beasts.

"Variety is the spice of life," is an old saying, but it can be applied to the countless affairs in a sporting way that were staged in the old Garden ever since the plot of ground bounded by Madison and Fourth Avenues and Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh Streets was first devoted to amusement enterprises.

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THE Garden had a place in the history of Little Old New York as did no other building devoted to public affairs, and when it went, it was only natural that a new structure should be built to take its place in the life of the populace.

That building now stands on the west side of Eighth Avenue between Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Streets and extends halfway down the block on either street towards Ninth Avenue. It was erected by a syndicate headed by Tex Rickard and William F. Carey, backed by the millions of William F. Hoyt, Wall Street magnate, and made its initial bow to the public on November 28, 1925 with a six-day bicycle race as the attraction.

But it was not until December 11, 1925, twenty years ago, that Tex Rickard, the first president of the new Garden, formally opened the building to fights, with Paul Berlenbach and Jack Delaney clashing in the feature event in a bout for the light-heavyweight championship, in which Paul retained the crown. Four days later, a hockey game between Les Canadiens and New York took place with an attendance of 17,442.

Tex Rickard, sketched by the famous cartoonist and sports scribe, the late Bob Edgren, when the promoter arrived in New York to take over the old Garden.

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SINCE then, Madison Square Garden has been the scene of hundreds of fights, hockey games, basketball, dog, poultry and horse shows, political meetings, police and firemen's balls, charity theatrical shows, sportsmen's shows, amateur and professional tennis, soccer, ice skating Follies, roller skating shows, rodeo, and what not! It is the most cosmopolitan gathering place for public functions in the world. Incidentally, it is the home of THE RING Magazine, a publication that was started back in 1922 with the aid of Tex Rickard and with two of his executive aides as partners with the present sole owner, Nat Fleischer. The new structure cost approximately $5,500,000.

The last attraction in the old Madison Square Garden was the bout between Terris and Dundee, which Terris won in 12 rounds.

The largest gate in the old Garden was that at the fight between Benny Leonard and Charley Mitchell for the Ann Morgan Fund for Devastated France in which Benny came close to losing his crown. The net was $133,745.00. The largest attendance in the old Garden was 15,443 at the Pete Herman vs. Joe Lynch bantam title bout which Lynch won, December 23, 1920.

The largest gate for the new Garden was $201,613 when Jack Delaney fought Jimmy Maloney, with the Louis-Buddy Baer fight next in line with a gross of $189,700.55.

The largest attendance for the new Garden for a professional show was 23,190 at the Armstrong vs. Fritzie Zivic fight.

The largest attendance for an amateur affair was 21,042 at the Golden Gloves fights between New York and Chicago.

Thirty-two championship fights have been staged since 1925.

Heavyweights—Joe Louis vs. Nathan Mann; Louis vs. John Henry Lewis; Louis vs. Arturo Godoy; Louis vs. Johnny Paychek; Louis vs. Red Burman; Louis vs. Buddy Baer; Louis vs. Abe Simon.

Light-heavyweights—Tommy Loughran vs. Mike McTigue; Bob Olin vs. Maxie Rosenbloom. Billy Conn vs. Melio Bettina, Gus Lesnevich vs. Anton Christoforidis, Gus Lesnevich vs. Tami Mauriello (twice).

Middleweights—Tony Zale vs. Georgie Abrams. There were three New York State sponsored title bouts also staged.

Welterweights—Barney Ross vs. Jimmy McLarnin; Fritzie Zivic vs. Henry Armstrong (twice).

Lightweights—Tony Canzoneri vs. Al Singer; Canzoneri vs. Lou Ambers; Ambers vs. Canzoneri; Henry Armstrong vs. Lou Ambers; Lew Jenkins vs. Lou Ambers; Lew Jenkins vs. Sammy Angott; Angott vs. Allie Stolz.

Featherweights—Tony Canzoneri vs. Benny Bass; Petey Sarron vs. Henry Armstrong; Chalky Wright vs. Lulu Costantino; Willie Pep vs. Chalky Wright (twice).

Bantamweights—Lou Salica vs. Sixto Escobar.

Flyweight—Midget Wolgast vs. Black Bill; Frankie Genaro vs. Midget Wolgast.

Following the death of Rickard, William F. Carey took the helm at the new Garden. Then followed Col. Hammond and Col. (now Gen.) John Reed Kilpatrick. During the three years' absence of Gen. Kilpatrick on service with the Army, Ned Irish, head of the basketball department, took over as acting president.

The matchmakers in the new Garden, prior to the formation of the present partnership with Mike Jacobs' Twentieth Century Sporting Club, were: Leo P. Flynn, Jess McMahon, Tom McArdle, Frank J. Bruen, Frank Flournoy and James J. Johnston.

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FOLLOWING the resignation of Bill Carey as president of the Garden and the election of Col. Kilpatrick as the new head, boxing, which previously had been the best financial sport in the Garden, suffered a heavy loss through a battle waged against the new regime by the Milk Fund promoters, who were backing Mike Jacobs and taking away from the Garden its most lucrative source of income in boxing. On August 5, 1937, the big boxing war came to an end with Mike Jacobs joining hands with the Garden by obtaining exclusive rights to fight promotions in the House that Tex Built.

Jacobs, as promoter of the Twentieth Century Sporting Club, had fought the powerful corporation unaided to a standstill for two years and had run it into the ground insofar as boxing was concerned. He signed a lease that gave him exclusive rights to sixteen or more Friday nights over a two-year period and with the lease went the agreement that the Garden corporation would file no action against James J. Braddock, world heavyweight king, for breaking his contract to fight Max Schmeling for the Garden and taking on Joe Louis, instead.

When the two years were up, so successful was this agreement financially for both the Garden and Mike that a new contract was made whereby Jacobs and the Garden became partners in the promotion of all fights in the Eighth Avenue arena and ball parks, no matter where staged. From 1937 to date close to $6,000,000 in gate receipts have been collected through the Jacobs indoor promotions. This year, from January 1 to this writing, the receipts have been $1,751,162.

With Joe Louis as his mainstay, and practically every cham-

pion willing to engage under the Jacobs-Garden banner, Uncle Mike has become, through his Garden affiliation, the world's greatest fight director of boxing.

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AS a place of diversion, the Garden goes back to 1870, when the old passenger station of the New York Central and Harlem River Steam Railroad was abandoned in favor of the Forty-second Street and Madison Avenue depot. The station was first turned into a car barn. Then it was leased by Franconi's Hippodrome, which was replaced by a barnlike building to house Patrick Gilmore's band for concerts and also for use of P. T. Barnum's circus.

The structure was first named Gilmore's Gardens but soon was changed to Barnum's Hippodrome. That settled the destiny of the railroad plot for many years, until William K. Vanderbilt purchased the ground, primarily to house the horse show, and on Memorial Day evening, May 30, 1879, he officially changed the name to Madison Square Garden.

For a time the building proved satisfactory to those who were making use of it, but in 1889, when a plan for the building of a new structure was broached to Barnum by the board of directors of the National Horse Show, he was very much interested, and in September, 1889, work on the new Garden was begun, a structure planned by the great Stanford White. Associated with the new enterprise were all horsemen—J. Pierpont Morgan, Francis K. Strugis, James T. Woodward, Charles Lanier, Alfred Darling, Darius Ogden Mills, Hiram Hitchcock and Charles Crocker. On June 6, 1890, the new arena was opened and it served as the meeting place for sports, pastimes and national meetings of all kinds until May 4, 1925, when it closed its doors to make room for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Building which now stands on its site.

The old Garden on Madison Avenue between 26th and 27th Streets which was demolished twenty years ago.

When Barnum had the Garden at a rental of $5000 a year, it made a handsome profit annually, but when the $5,000,000 new Garden that Stanford White designed took its place, the structure became a steady loser until Tex Rickard took it over on a rental and commission basis. Rickard, who had come out of the West with a knowledge of boxing and how to sell the sport to the public, with the aid of John L. "Ike" Dorgan as his publicity man, came out on the black side of the ledger after a long struggle.

Originally the Garden was built to house the great National Horse Show, although today the horse show is only a minor event in the life of the Eighth Avenue institution. When the Twenty-sixth Street building was completed, it was thought it would last a century, but the life of which it was the center in 1890, that of the theatres, cafes and hotels, moved northward and left the Garden alone to fight a losing battle against the rush of business.

It was the center of the amusement and sporting life of New York, and for that matter, America. It was the home of pageantry and balls, of great public meetings, national political campaigns and debates, and conventions. Sandwiched between national and international fistic mills were shows of all kinds—horse, dog, cat, chicken, the sportsmen's show, six-day walking and bicycle races, political conventions and religious meetings.

Its rafters rang with the roar of the crowds cheering lustily their favorite boxers and its roof echoed the brilliant speeches of the war days. It smelled of the tanbark of the rodeo and the circus and at times it was filled with the gayly clad figures of those who made the French Ball and other dances and masquerades things to linger long in the memory.

There was no place in the world like the old Garden or which occupied so distinctive a place in the life of the nation. It was opened on June 10, 1860, with Eduard Strauss' Vienna Orchestra and a ballet, with 17,000, a capacity crowd, in attendance, at tickets that sold as high as $50 each.

What a phenomenal list of sporting events were staged in the old Garden under the regimes of the magnetic William A. Brady, smiling Big Jim Kennedy, the rotund Pat Powers, debonair and handsome Harry Pollock, dapper and energetic Jimmy Johnston, astute Billy Gibson and colorful Tex Rickard!

What a remarkable array of champions passed in review in every imaginable field of sport!

Mike Jacobs, whose boxing programmes have grossed close to $6,000,000.

First and foremost, on memory's screen, flash the fighting men, for all the world loves a fighter. But they pass in review, their appearance clarioned by such celebrated announcers as Fred Burns, Pete Prunty, Charley Harvey, Chris Dalton and Joe Humphreys. Boxing was barred from the Garden for many years because of the repeal of the Horton Law, but prior to that, many memorable fistic shindigs were staged.

George Dixon met Billy Plimmer there in a four-round bout in 1890 before an immense gathering and the Britisher won the decision. Three years later, Little Chocolate boxed a six-round draw there with Pedlar Palmer, also of England, the fighter who later was knocked out in a few seconds by Terry McGovern in a title bout at Tuckahoe, N. Y.

Peter Maher made his American debut in the Garden in 1899 when he knocked out Jack Smith and Sailor Brown, each in one round. Maher knocked out Paddy Slavin a few years later in the big building before a jammed throng.

Jim Corbett made his first bow in the Garden in 1890 in a three-round exhibition with Mike Donovan. Two years later, when he was matched with John L. Sullivan, he knocked out two men in the same ring and then wound up with Joe Lannon of Boston in an exhibition.

George Lavigne boxed Jack McAuliffe in the Garden in 1896 then the latter retired and handed over his lightweight title to the famous Saginaw Kid.

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JOHN L. SULLIVAN gained much of his fame and popularity in glove fights in the old Garden. In July, 1882, a hot, sweltering night, an overflow crowd was on hand to see the Boston Strong Boy tackle Tug Wilson. It was estimated by Capt. Williams of the New York police that fully 10,000 fight fans were clamoring for admission and trying to fight their way into the Garden when the gong sent the gladiators into action in this international exhibition.

In the articles of agreement for that battle, Sullivan had stipulated that he would knock out Wilson in four rounds or forfeit $500 and give up half of the gate receipts. Tug went down frequently, often without being hit, in order to last the four sessions, and amidst boos and hisses, he did go the limit. That night he left the Garden with a handbag full of money, more than he had ever seen in his life, and hurriedly departed for England never again to return.

That affair was a revelation to the promoters who figured that henceforth only the Garden would be used for important fistic affairs because of the huge profits netted in the Wilson-Sullivan exhibition. Sullivan met Joe Coburn in December, 1882, shortly after Coburn had been released from Sing Sing, and again the Boston Strong Boy played to a SRO house, with John L. getting most of the dough.

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IT WAS in 1883 that Sullivan fought Charley Mitchell, hailed as the British champion boxer, to distinguish him from the bare knuckle title holder, after Mitchell had demonstrated his skill by beating Mike Cleary, considered the next best man to Sullivan. Charley and John L. clashed on May 14 in the Garden and the police jumped into the ring to halt the battle in the third round after the American had manhandled his much lighter opponent. Mitchell, scaling only 152 pounds, was dropped several times by the hog-fat Sullivan in the first round. After the last knockdown, Sullivan stood in the center of the ring waiting for Mitchell to get to his feet, and Charley suddenly leaped up, caught John L. with a terrific crash to the stomach and dropped the American.

The crowd went wild, for it was the first time in Sullivan's career that he had been knocked down. In the second, Sullivan avenged that knockdown by lacing Mitchell all over the ring, and in the third he knocked Mitchell through the ropes when Captain Williams interceded and stopped the fight.

Sullivan faced Herbert Slade, the Maori, in August, 1883, and knocked out Jem Mace's protege in the third. Then followed a Garden battle in November, 1884, with John Laflin, who was beaten in three rounds.

A week later John L. stopped Alf Greenfield of England in the second round, the police again interceding. Sullivan and Paddy Ryan had attempted to mill it in the Garden in January, 1884, and they had gone only half a round before a huge gathering, when the police jumped into the ring and stopped proceedings.

In May, 1884, Mitchell and Billy Edwards split $14,000 as a result of a three-round bout in the Garden, in which Charley put it all over Billy. Later Mitchell was awarded the decision at the end of six rounds in his bout with Dominick McCaffrey, which Macon McCormick, foremost boxing writer of his day, refereed.

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THOSE were fights that took place in the first Garden and when the new Stanford White structure became a reality, the world's greatest fistic stars made their appearance in the new arena. The year 1900 saw a number of big fights in the Garden, notably those in which Fitzsimmons and Ruhlin, Corbett and McCoy, Walcott and West and McGovern and Erne took part.

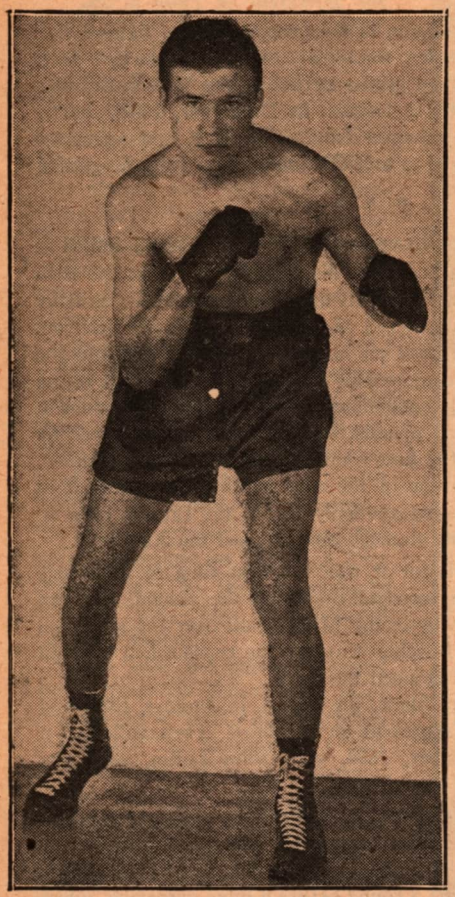
The Fitz-Ruhlin battle was one of the fiercest ever fought in that arena. The McGovern-Erne mill will be recalled as the one in which Terry, then a full-fledged feather, made Erne come in at 127 pounds, Frank then being the lightweight king, and by making weight, Erne was knocked cold in the third round before a crowd that packed the Garden from floor to roof.

Jimmy Britt, Mike Shreck, Marvin Hart, Tom Sharkey, Jim Jeffries, Joe Choynski, Paddy Slavin, Jimmy Carroll, Kid McPartland, Dan Creedon, Patsy Haley, among hundreds of other fistic celebrities, gave exhibitions in the Garden.

William Muldoon, Yousouf, the Terrible Turk, George Hackenschmidt, Frank Gotch, Ernest Roeber, George Bothner, Harvey Parker, Marin Plestina, Stanislaus Zbyszko, Strangler Lewis, Joe Stecher, Earl Caddock, Bill Brown, Dr. Roller, Gus Schoenfeld, known as Americus, Aberg, and Joe Rogers among other international wrestling figures, performed before a packed arena every time they appeared in the Garden. *(Continued on page 27)*

THE CROWD-PLEASERS

By EDDIE MERRILL



Harry Preston, former Golden Gloves champion, undefeated in 12 pro starts.

HARRY PRESTON

A RUGGED Irish kid with plenty of class and thundering fists, looms as the best prospect in Al Weill's menage of battlers.

Harry Preston is the monicker of this fast-climbing clouter who is only 18 years of age. He has had 12 professional fights and has won them all. Eight of his foes failed to go the distance. In 1944 he won the Sub-novice welterweight title in Madison Square Garden on the *Daily News* A. A. Golden Gloves show.

Charlie Goldman, crack trainer of the Weill stable, rarely waxes enthusiastic wherein his charges are concerned. In Preston, he feels that he has a real find.

"It's not the fact that he's belted out eight guys so easily that impresses me," declares Goldman, a fistic great of yesteryear. "It's the manner in which he does it. Harry has a lot of class and uncanny ring instinct for a youngster."

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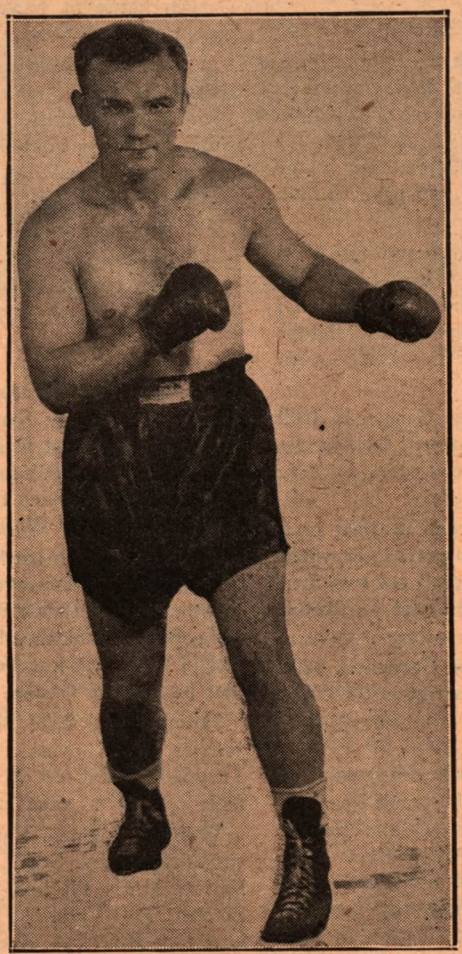
ALLIE MINUTOLI

A 29-year-old featherweight boxer, inactive for more than four years, but still believing he was destined to achieve greatness in the ring, electrified a crowd in Hartford recently when he slugged his way to an eight-round draw with hard-hitting Bobby Polowitzer. The fans felt that Allie Minutoli deserved the duke and hooted long and loudly. The story of Minutoli's return to the ring is as shining an example of raw courage as can be found anywhere in the annals of fistiana.

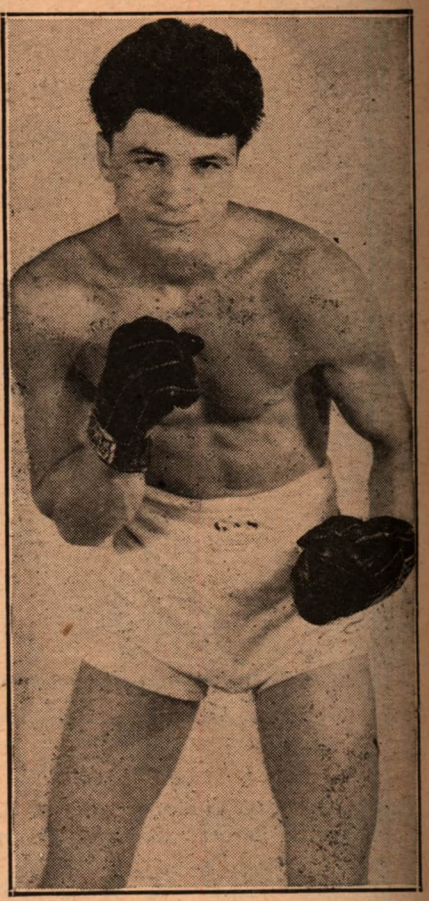
A nephew of Joe Pennino, a good New York club fighter, Allie began boxing in 1938. While still an unknown prelim boy, he was forced to quit fighting due to a hand injury. From then on his career was sporadic. He tried boxing again and this time a bad knee hampered his progress. Trouble in the shoulder later developed and the disgusted youngster, who was regarded as a good prospect prior to his injuries, quit the ring.

Minutoli married, raised three children, and kept plugging along at his longshoreman's job, with the constant thought of "what might have been" gnawing within him. Finally he placed himself under the care of a surgeon who operated on his shoulder and knee from which he removed some cartilage and Allie began to train again. The "bum" hand, strengthened by the long rest, gave him no further trouble and Minutoli anxiously awaited a spot on some show.

A break in the card necessitated an immediate substitution against Bobby Polowitzer in Hartford and Minutoli gambled.



Mike Martyk, Canadian featherweight, recently discharged from the service, who won six fights before losing to Willie Pep.



Allie Minutoli, Brooklyn featherweight, who scored sensationally in first comeback appearance.

Although inactive for more than four years, Allie nevertheless confounded even his most ardent rooters by stepping eight, tough, action-filled rounds without any trouble. He punched freely with his once bum duke, and stepped sprightly with his "new" knee. In a return match with Polowitzer, Allie almost kayoed Bobby while dropping a close decision.

Allie Minutoli, unknown, hampered by bad luck, is now an established star bout fighter. The long rest did him good, Minutoli laughingly declares.

He is a stablemate of Rocky Graziano.

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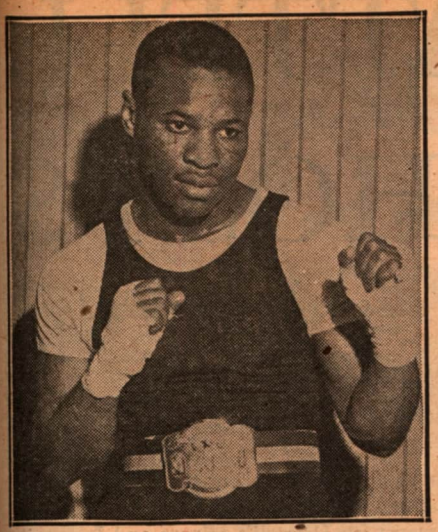
MIKE MARTYK

BERT FINCH, veteran handler of fighters in Buffalo, the man who brought out such stars as Lou Scozza and Frankie Schoell, has undertaken the management of a young Canadian featherweight, Mike Martyk. Mike, who held the Canadian amateur championship in his division, has been making great headway under his new tutor. Martyk hails from St. Catherines, Ontario, where he was a favorite before deciding to throw his lot with the American professionals.

In six fights he defeated Larry Bender by a kayo in one round; Don Gonzales in two; Young Casey at Windsor in four; Billy Webb at Toronto in two and



Eddie Hudson, pleasing Coast performer, now boxing out of New York.

Joe Miller in one round. Mike was stopped in his seventh go by Willie Pep after making a game stand for five rounds. He is only 26 years old and is a veteran who was recently mustered out of service. He has been fighting as a pro about eight years.

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MIKE AMICO

A YOUNGSTER fresh from the wars where he spent 19 months overseas, is now showing great form in his daily workouts at Stillman's Gym. Nineteen-year-old Mike Amico, kid brother of Terry, had seven pro fights, all of which he won, before going into the service. He hopes to resume his boxing career in the same successful fashion.

Young Mike Amico is being guided by Tony Canzoneri's old trainer, Nick Florio, and big brother Terry. Terry, now a night-club publicist, had fair success in the ring prior to joining the Army. He boxed Morris Reif, Harold Green and Billy Graham among others.

Mike, who proudly sports the Silver Star, Bronze Star and numerous other citations from the European battlefield, is anxious to carry the name of Amico to the very top of the boxing world.

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TONY RICCIO

HAVING whipped his Jersey rival, Joe Curcio, in a slashing Garden go, Tony Riccio, Bayonne welterweight, invaded Gotham again recently to show the New York boxing writers that he was no flash in the pan. This time Tony tangled with the rugged George "Red" Doty, an experienced belter who has mingled with the best mittmen in the country.

Riccio won unstinted praise from the critical scribes when he took the best the hard-hitting Doty could offer and then came on in the closing chapters to win by a good margin. Tony showed he could take a punch, and displayed great form at close quarters where he outscored his rival.

Riccio's outstanding victory this year is the ten-round decision he holds over the highly vaunted Jackie Wilson. His Garden win over Curcio was doubly satisfactory as it wiped out a previous loss to Joe. In thirteen bouts this year the fast-rising Skeeter State socker has lost but four contests.

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JOEY CARKIDO

FRANKIE "JAY" JACOBS, popular New York fight pilot, has again raided the town of Youngstown, Ohio, for pugilistic talent. This time Jacobs garnered a promising lightweight youngster, named Joey Carkido.

It was in Youngstown that "Jay" discovered two of his big money makers, the sterling slugger, Lenny "Boom-Boom" Mancini and the flashy Tony Janiro. Carkido is a neighbor of Janiro and the two sparred often as amateurs back home. Joey has won all but one of his 14 pro fights. Tim Dalton copped an unpopular duke for the only blemish on the classy kid's record.

Under Ray Arcel's guidance, Joey Carkido has displayed great improvement with each bout. Carkido, who hopes to emulate Tony Janiro's rapid rise, stole the show from his famous stablemate at the St. Nicholas Arena recently in kayoing Lou Prince in a prelim on the same card.

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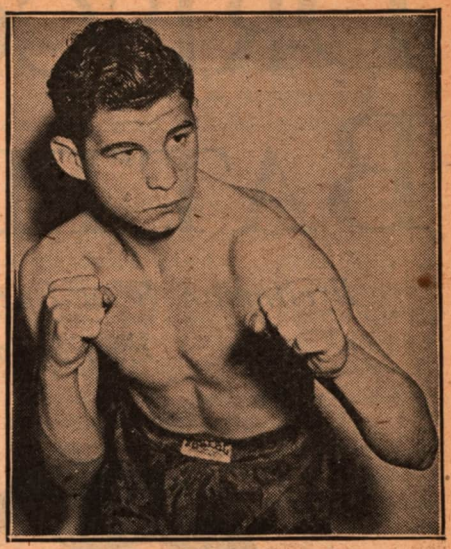
EDDIE HUDSON

USING reverse "English" on Horace Greeley's famed phrase of advice, Eddie Hudson, crowd-pleasing Coast lightweight, has deserted California to try his luck in the East.

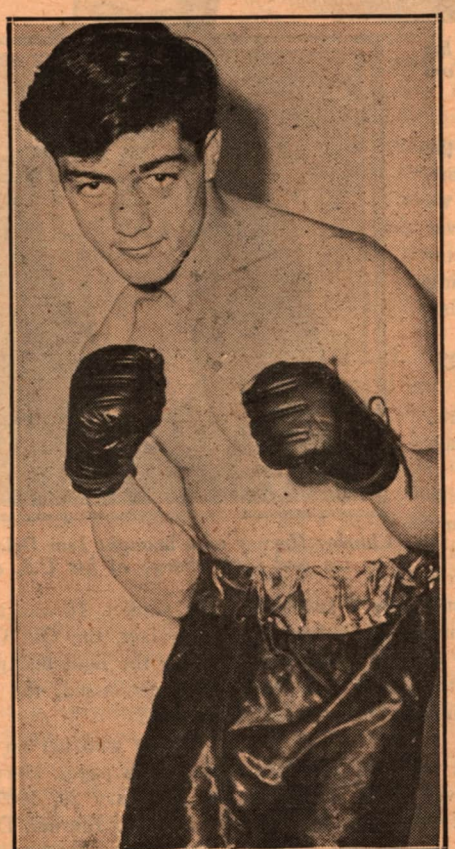
A sensational slugger, Hudson comes here well recommended with a kayo win over Cleo Shans, decisions over Bobby Yaeger, Genaro Rojo, Carlos Malacara, and a split decision loss to Nick Moran. Hudson is the only boxer in the history of the Ocean Park Arena to headline the card in three successive shows. He topped the bill against Bobby Yaeger, Jimmy Doyle and Bobby Yaeger in that order.

Eddie's struggle towards the top of the fistic heap emulates the tough climb of many a famous pugilistic predecessor. Hudson lost his father at the age of two, and as soon as he was able, began to support his mother. He won the Golden Gloves tourney, sponsored by the Kansas City *Star* in 1940. Eddie was a featherweight at the time with only four previous amateur bouts under his belt. Hudson copped the crown again the following year and then turned pro.

Hudson is represented by Chickie Bogad. His record for this year includes a draw with Leo Rodak, a loss to Pedro Firpo, and a knockout over Carlos Malacara.



Tony Riccio, young Bayonne welter, who has impressed New York's boxing scribes.



Archie Devino, protege of Bobby Ruffin.

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ARCHIE DEVINO

ARCHIE DEVINO, a Long Island City 18-year-old youngster with a "hungry look," is the protege of Bobby Ruffin, star lightweight. Archie astounds fight fans when they first see him, for he looks like anything but a fighter. Instead, he resembles a skinny, poorly fed youngster. Once inside the ring, however, Devino shows that he knows how to handle his fists, as Madison Square Garden fight fans can testify. He proved this when he boxed six rounds with Frank Pucci and gave him a severe beating. Others whom Devino has beaten include Babe Kelly, Dan Scanlon, Joey Blair, Benny May and Frank Pucci.

Fight fans predict that this boy will become a star attraction for he has been well trained for the past year by that faithful trainer, Red Lambert, and has shown the fistic scribes enough to convince them that he has what it takes to make good.

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DRISCOLL *vs.* ATTELL BATTLE *of* GHOSTS

Welshman Won But Abe Still Disputes It 36 Years After ***Greatest*** *Exhibition of Skill Yet Seen in This Country*

By DANIEL M. DANIEL

Tom O'Rourke, who handled Abe Attell in his battle with Jem Driscoll. The above shows Tom as he looked at the time.

IN our long series of flashbacks of the greatest fights in the annals of the sport, from Jim Figg down to Joe Louis, we have apostrophized the Punch. Men ever have been worshippers of power, and the fighter with the ability to settle an issue with one swing of the arm, one well directed drive of the fist, has drawn the greater accolade.

To Jack Dempsey, Louis and John L. Sullivan, have gone the shriller praises.

But, just as man does not live by bread alone, so does boxing not live by the knockout punch alone.

The foundation stone of the game is skill. The basic strength of the sport is science. They used to call it the game of hit and get away.

You may thumb the pages of Nat Fleischer's ALL-TIME RING RECORD BOOK from now until July 4 and you won't find two shrewder ring generals, two more adroit boxers, two more beautiful exponents of the science of this game than Abe Attell, once featherweight champion of the world, and Jem Driscoll, the little Welshman who made himself the standout featherweight on the other side.

There are those who will tell you that Driscoll was the greatest boxer yet produced. Charley Harvey, who managed Jem Driscoll in his American tour, is one of those who held to this thesis.

You may talk about George Dixon, you may praise Attell himself, you may talk about Kid McCoy, about the superior boxers England has developed. But Driscoll unquestionably was the king of them all. Imagine a man with Driscoll's science and Leonard's punch.

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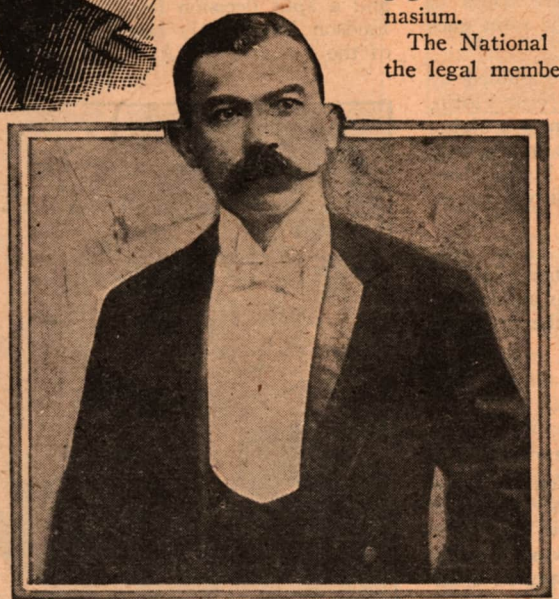
IMAGINE, too, a ten-round fight between Attell and Driscoll. It is conceivable that in all the history of boxing, there never was the like of this engagement on the night of February 19, 1909, at the National Sporting Club in New York, for a demonstration of the finer points of what Damon Runyon likes to call the sour science.

Attell—Crafty, wily, a master feinter, a good hitter, never making a move unless there was a reason for it.

Driscoll—nimble, quick on his feet, a veritable sleight of hand artist—the hand is quicker than the eye.

In 1909, there was no legality to boxing in the state of New York. It was conducted on what was known as the membership basis. That was to protect organizations like the New York A.C., which held contests between amateurs, and whose members engaged in informal bouts in their own gymnasium.

The National Sporting Club was closer to the legal membership scheme than the other outfits operating in New York in those days. The locale of its contests was the old Fiss, Doerr and Carroll horse auction stables. There were plush covered ropes around the ring, and those ropes gave the tonal impetus to the joint.



Charley Harvey who brought Jem Driscoll to America and took charge of his U.S. campaign.

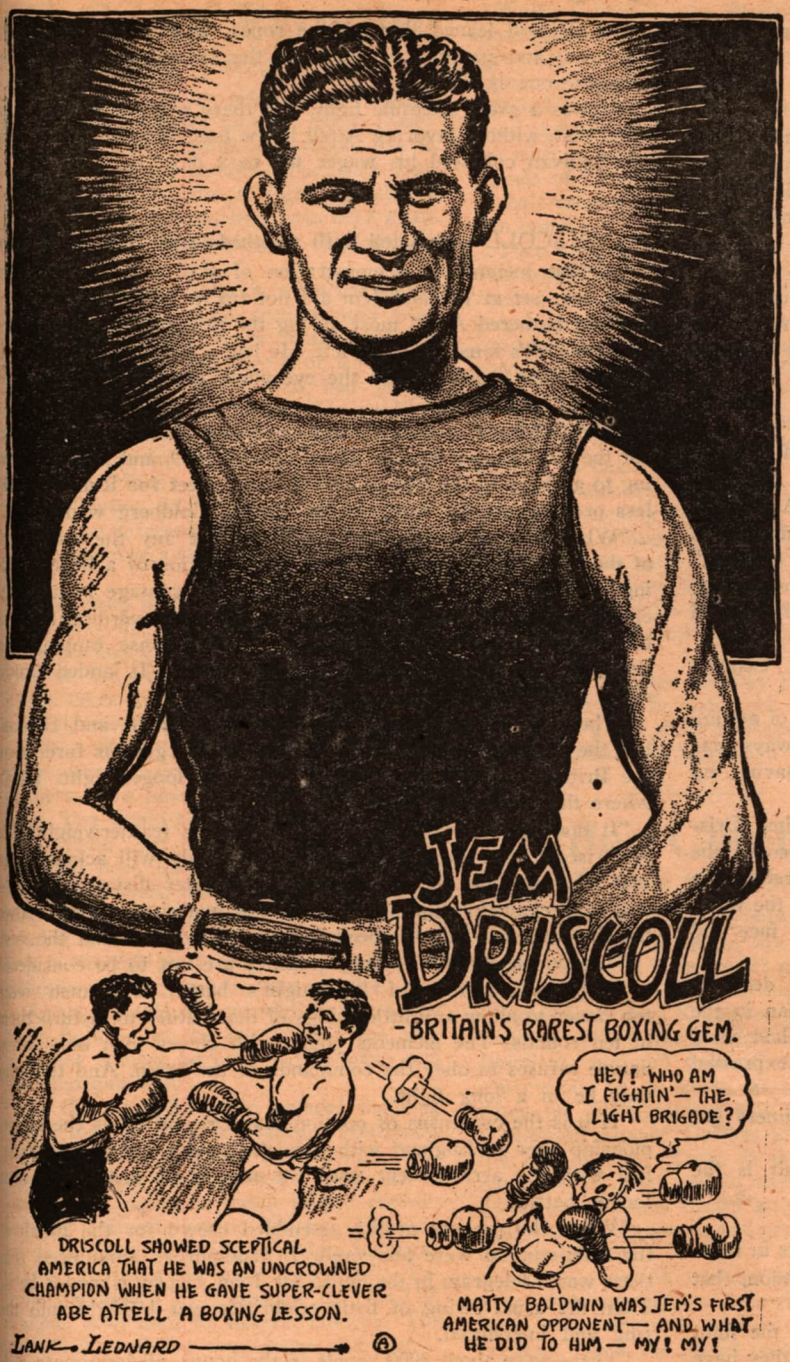
In any event, with an official decision barred, Attell and Driscoll fought through ten of the most profoundly scientific and thrilling rounds it has been the good fortune of New York fight fans to see.

When it was all over, some said, "Abe took him." Others were just as certain that Jem had earned the verdict. It was a case of taking your choice.

In fact, the Old Guard still is squabbling over the decision. I saw the fight and gave it to Driscoll. However, had the house been canvassed, the result probably would have been close to a draw.

Those who bet on fights in that era went by the verdicts of the sports pages. Here's how the experts lined up on the morning of February 20, 1909:

Evening Journal, Driscoll; *Evening World,* Driscoll; *Morning Telegraph,* Attell; *New York Times,* Driscoll; *New York Tribune,* Driscoll; *New York Press,* Driscoll; *Morning World,*



Attell responded, "The worst I could get was a draw. I did most of the forcing and my punches had more steam behind them. In 20, I could stop Jem. I'd like to meet him again over the longer distance."

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WELL, Attell and Driscoll never did meet again. The American's tenure as the featherweight champion of the world was not destined to be a lengthy one. On February 22, 1912, at Los Angeles, Attell was outpointed in 20 rounds by Johnny Kilbane, who was to reign as king of the class until 1923, when Gene Criqui, of France, knocked him out in six rounds in New York—Criqui the young man, Kilbane a shadow of his onetime resplendent self.

Attell, who was 25 years of age when he met Driscoll in the horse fair, became the recognized featherweight king on April 30, 1908, when he knocked out Brooklyn Tommy Sullivan of St. Louis, in the fourth round, in San Francisco.

Abe could have become the champion on October 13, 1904, in St. Louis, but he lost to Sullivan on a foul. That ended in the fifth.

Driscoll was 28 years of age when he outpointed Attell. The fight was one of a series of ten which the Welshman fought in the United States. He counted on coming back for a second tour but for some reason this was restricted to one contest, with Pal Moore. It was a six round, no-decision affair in Philadelphia, on May 25, 1910.

Driscoll's ten fight tour started with a six round bout with Matty Baldwin, rugged Boston lightweight, in New York. Jem took that one, and the next bout, as well. That was with Grover Hayes, a six in Philadelphia.

That he could hit as well as box, Driscoll proved in his third American appearance, in which he stopped Charley Griffin in Boston, in the eleventh heat.

On December 29, 1908, Driscoll met Baldwin a second time, in 12 rounds in Boston, and it was the same old story. Jem got the duke.

Driscoll started his 1909 campaign in Boston on January 19 and beat Hayes in 12. Nine days later the Briton took on the rugged Johnny Marto, New York lightweight, and gave him a boxing lesson in ten rounds.

Tommy Langdon was beaten in a six rounder, the highly interesting Leach Cross, New York contender for the lightweight championship, was whipped in ten, and then came the grand climax, the fight with Attell.

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Driscoll; *New York Sun,* Driscoll; *New York American,* Driscoll; *New York Herald,* non-committal.

Against the preponderance of journalistic opinion in favor of the Welshman, there was Joe Humphreys' verdict of a draw, Tom O'Rourke's favoring Attell, and Jack McGuigan's leaning toward Abe. O'Rourke was in Abe's corner.

The *Brooklyn Times* was of the opinion that Attell could not possibly get any worse than a draw.

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HOWEVER, it went on to explain that Driscoll had led on points, but the featherweight champion had advantages in other respects that count in arriving at a decision in a ring contest. How Driscoll could lead on points in a ten round fight that ended with both men on their feet, and still get no better than a a draw, was not explained coherently.

The day after, as he stood on the deck of the steamship *St. Paul,* headed for England, Driscoll said, "I always have believed myself faster than any man of my weight in the world, and I was confident that if I ever got Attell into a ring I would do what I did to him last night—everything but stop him."

DRISCOLL was a tremendous favorite no matter where he appeared in this country. He was greased lightning in the ring, and an affable, easily approached bloke out of the squared circle. In New York, he did his training up at Dal Hawkins' place in the Bronx, and Jem would sit around and talk about his ring experiences by the hour.

Not a gabby guy by any means. But if he liked you and the atmosphere was right, he would reminisce. And his stories were very much worth while, for Jem came up the hard way, boxing in booths at circuses, and the like.

Driscoll served with the British Army in the first World War, for four years. After he had boxed a 20 round draw with Owen Moran for the British title on January 27, 1913, Jem did not make another ring appearance until March 10, 1919, when he put on a four rounder with the faded veteran Pedlar Palmer.

On October 20, 1919, when Driscoll was 38 years of age, he wound up his ring career with a contest with Charley Ledoux, the French champion. Ledoux stopped the oldtimer in sixteen rounds.

On January 31, 1925, Jem Driscoll died of pneumonia in the city in which he was born, Cardiff, Wales.

About Attell, you doubtless know all the details. Born in San Francisco on February 22, 1884, Abe developed on the sidewalks of that city. In 1900, he went into the ring and for the next two years piled up knockouts in profusion.

On August 24, 1901, the comparatively inexperienced Attell held George Dixon to a draw in ten rounds in Denver.

Shortly afterward, they went 20 heats to a stalemate in Cripple Creek, but in their third meeting, over the 15-round distance, at St. Louis, Abe gave the Negro a beating.

A 20-round triumph over Frankie Neil in 1906, a 25-round draw with the scientific Owen Moran in 1908, a 15-round draw with Battling Nelson—these stood out in the Attell record as he fought his way through the years and around the country, right into the ten-rounder with Driscoll.

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ATTELL was much too canny for his own good. He got the reputation of setting up opponents. After the fight with Driscoll, for example, it was charged that, had Abe wanted to cut loose, he could have whipped the Welshman decisively.

"The inference was drawn that Attell deliberately stalled," said the *Brooklyn Times*. "In other words, he was not trying very hard with the end in view of showing up the Britisher in a real battle."

If Attell stalled that night, then the Twentieth Century Limited in full flight for Chicago is stalling.

Not that Abe did not, on occasion, stall with the plan of getting the other man into a more lucrative fight. Attell always was doping things out that way. He had a knack of saving up opponents for the richer haul.

Attell appeared to be giving everything he had against Driscoll. Some of the critics said that while the Briton scored the greater number of points, he boxed with fingers outstretched in his gloves and could not really hurt his man. Abe, on the other hand, was swinging hard and hurting. He had Jem's face and body rather welted after the tenth round.

Though the referee was not permitted to give a decision, Charley White, Old Eagle Eye, who was the third man in the ring, confided the next day that he believed Attell had won. Johnny White, referee of the preliminary card, also expressed the opinion that the Briton had been whipped.

For years and years after the fight, whenever oldtimers got together, discussion waxed hot.

Attell fought many a battle, but that Driscoll affair is the one canker in his memory.

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ABE will tell you that the one man who knew fights in those days was O'Rourke, and he will cite Tom's opinion, that Attell won. Here is the O'Rourke thesis:

"Sports writers for years have had their say about the fight between Attell and Driscoll. For some unknown reason they have tried to belittle Abe's ability in every way—most of them doing it by hearsay, as they did not see the fight. I think it is due to Attell's aggressive attitude toward the writers. However, I was in a position as a second to Attell during this contest to be able to judge it fairly well.

"I did not second Attell through any love for him, but Senator Tim Sullivan, who was my partner during the Horton law days, pleaded with me to second Attell, stating that he had a large sum of money wagered on Attell to win, the decision being left to three men who were chosen between himself and the man wagering with him, as no decision could be given by the referee.

"I consented to second Abe after Big Tim sent for him to come to his apartment in the Occidental Hotel, where I went over the situations that might occur during the fight. I told Attell that Driscoll was strictly a head fighter, and that he would force him to fight that way, as Attell was also a head fighter, and that he must change his style and tactics during training, and learn to fight for the body, which he did.

"He agreed to follow my instructions throughout the fight, and he had Driscoll on the verge of a knockout on two occasions—in the sixth and seventh rounds—especially in the seventh, when Driscoll leaned through the ropes while his seconds held his head, and vomited on some of the ringsiders who had to scramble out of the way.

"It was a great scientific fight, and there was no doubt in my mind that, without favoring Attell in the least, that he won. Senator Sullivan collected his wager the next day."

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DRISCOLL and Attell both weighed under 125 pounds for that memorable demonstration of skill and science. The beam was set at 125 and Jem did not tip it. Attell scaled 123½.

What bothered Attell most during the thirty minutes of action was Driscoll's famous double left. He had a habit of shooting his left and then, quicker than the eye could catch it, shooting the left right back again.

Rube Goldberg, now a famous cartoonist, was a sports expert for the old *Evening Mail* in New York in 1909, and it is interesting to go back to the files of that defunct sheet for Rube's deathless prose about the dance of the ghosts. Goldberg wrote:

"While neither of the little fighters was any the worse off at the end of the final round, with the exception of a little swelling in Attell's right eye, Driscoll had the advantage in a greater number of rounds and should be entitled to the verdict if any is to be given. He danced in and out of Abe's defense, tapping him time after time with that annoying straight left. It landed almost every time it started.

"The bout was a boxing affair pure and simple, and Driscoll had the best of the boxing. Attell landed with greater force than the Briton, and probably can beat him in a longer fight. That's where the tough part comes in.

"It does not appear very just to give the featherweight title to Driscoll when everybody who saw the fight will acknowledge that Abe can land the Welshman in a greater distance. A professional championship involves all the qualities straight down the line—science, punch, speed, stamina, headwork and the rest.

"The punch and the staying qualities are not to be considered as important factors of last night's battle. The men were too clever to allow any little things of that nature to disturb them in ten rounds. The elements count with clever men only when nature refuses to obey the commands of the brain. And that can only be in a long fight.

"If it is the consensus of opinion that Driscoll takes the championship over to England with him, the public will not be satisfied with the arrangement until the men have met again in a longer battle.

"When the prayers of the assembled crowd for the finish of the semi-windup were answered, J. Humphreys announced that there was a telegram in the house for John Jasper, whoever he is. Then the usual string of fistic celebrities was brought into the ring and introduced.

"There were about 3000 people in the house, all legitimate club members. Many fond hopes were blasted at the front door when the special officers put the duck number on the friends of the friends of the friends of the people connected with the boxing game. Even the high hat stall wouldn't work. One man tried to pass himself off for Bill Taft, but they asked for his membership card just the same. You had to go disguised as a vacuum to beat it.

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"THERE was no preliminary haggling over small details when the men entered the ring. They were called together by Referee Charley White, took their instruction like a couple of field generals, shook hands and tore in. There was lots and lots of class to the whole works. Even the ushers looked as if they ought to be working in the department of archaeology in some first-class university. It was a treat. Tom O'Rourke was in Attell's corner. Tom's reception by the crowd was not very cordial. Charley Harvey's walrus decoration spread over Driscoll's corner like a Hawaiian palm.

"At the end of the first round the buzz of voices all over the house sounded like the rumbling of an elevated train. The speedy work of the two cleverest little men in the world took everybody's breath away. Attell looked *(Continued on page 40)*

GI Sport Paradise

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was working as a referee for boxing and wrestling shows and the New Jersey State Athletic Commission made Joe a licensed wrestling arbiter. The Soft Ball Association of America thought so much of Joe's ability along sporting lines they made him Soft Ball Commissioner of Southern New Jersey.

It was GI Joe Valentine when the pudgy figure of his was first seen around Fort Dix, but alas, his 43 years of age soon got him that coveted discharge. For some reason, Joe, like the proverbial bad penny, came back to his old haunt. He couldn't stay away from the Sports Arena. So now civilian Joe is the Assistant Athletic Director of Fort Dix.

Joe, during his civilian and military career, has refereed more than 1600 boxing bouts and over a hundred grunt and groan settos.

Intermixed with the soldier boxing bouts each week are the pieces de resistance—the wrestling exhibitions. Now, there's the icing on the cake. Here again old Joe Valentine takes the beating. He's always being mauled, tossed, twisted, slapped and floored.

The visiting gruntmen, who volunteer their services to entertain the sports-hungry soldiers have never given a bad performance. The khaki-clad audience likes to see the "villain" get his just desserts—and he generally does. Rated high on their hate list is Pedro Gomez, the deaf and dumb mute, who never fails to have several offers of combat from the audience. Another baaad-boy is "Irish" Ed Henegan, whose hidden adhesive tape routine is plain murder.

As an example of how soldiers like to see their fighting in the raw, here's the way a recent contest between Lou Farino and Ed Henegan went:

At the start, Henegan entered the ring with his left wrist taped. Naturally, Farino insisted the tape be removed. Valentine obliged and requested "Irish" Ed to remove it. Henegan, much to the crowd's disgust, refused. Farino insisted, Henegan refused, more bickering and then Henegan started to leave the ring. Graciously, Farino, announced by Valentine as "Ex-GI" Farino, consented to wrestle anyway. The crowd cheered the courageous grappler.

After all sorts of dirty stuff, Henegan was planted firmly on his back after 17 minutes to lose the first of the three-falls bout. Walking to his dressing room, Henegan shook his fist in the faces of the hospital patients laden down with crutches in the section reserved for them. How the crowd went for that.

Back in the ring again, Henegan took the tape from his wrist and slipped it beneath his trunks while Valentine looked at a beautiful WAC in the third row. Don't get ahead of me, but from then on the business of Henegan turning Farino's dome away from the ref and giving him the tape in the eyes. When Joe looked for the infraction, Demon "Irish" Ed would again hide the tape and then repeat the whole nasty business. By this time, GIs were furious. At a given signal—who gives 'em I don't know but it would do justice to Cecil B. DeMille—M.P.s began to surround the ring. Then Farino slipped into the clutches of Eddie the rat and that evened things up.

Walking back to the dressing room for more rehearsal, the two muscle-men noticed Sgt. Alfred D. Boehme, official photographer of the Fort Dix *Post*, and decided that a bit of in-the-aisle mixing would go good right about there. So, with GIs standing with mouths open, the five-hundred odd pounds of "Truth and Consequences" traded half-nelsons and vied for facial contortion honors.

Then came the finale! Lou Farino, who then could be elected President on the spot, entered the ring amidst the cheers and encouragement of 3,000 rooters. Henegan, sneaking in the other side of the ring, picked up a used flash-bulb and hid it beneath his robe. This brought forth screams of "Lynch him," "Kill da bum."

After ten minutes of Boris Karloff tactics, Henegan hauled off and clipped Referee Valentine on the side of the jaw and upon reaching the none-too-soft canvas, Joe saw the photographer himself was then looking at the same beautiful WAC. Undaunted, Joe arose and again got slugged. This time, the bulb flashed and Joe rolled over with a half-smile on his face and went to sleep.

Is it any wonder the Dix Sports Arena is packed week in and week out? Not at all! It's a great show and easily the most popular means of recreation in the huge camp.

Garden Celebrates

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FOR forty-four years before the latest structure was put up, Madison Square Garden has been New York's great home of sport. Today, the new Garden over which General John Reed Kilpatrick presides, continues to cater to the best in recreation, civic functions, national political meetings and conventions of all kinds, as was the case when the 1890 building was put into use.

Madison Square Garden is symbolic of the life of New York. It is the world's most cosmopolitan public arena, the place where sports alone attract attendances running into the thousands and gross gates that hit the millions.

Twenty years of uninterrupted service to a sports-loving nation following forty-six years of continued service under other regimes, that's the proud record of Madison Square Garden.

Louis and Conn in New York

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enough to make the film more profitable.

When Jacobs signed Conn, he demanded that Billy engage in no competition until after the fight with Louis.

At the time, Conn and his manager, Johnny Ray, refused to accede to this. They insisted that the challenger needed a few tune-ups under his belt and that it would be best if he fought himself into condition.

Conn then proceeded to have a little exhibition setto with one Bearcat Jones in Pittsburgh, and one of the unscheduled features was a Conn tumble. Billy was 15 pounds overweight, he was slow, ungainly. His timing was off and he looked like anything but the challenger for the championship of the world.

It did not take Conn very long thereafter to decide that he could not afford to be shown up by stumblebums and that the Jacobs angle had been the correct one. There will be no more tune-ups.

Conn is not in shape and it is not just to pick on him for this situation. He was in the service, and did not do any fighting there. He had a few exhibitions and even in these did not exactly cover himself with glory.

Insofar as Conn is concerned, there is a definite trend away from his chances for the title.

To be sure, he had the championship within reach on the night of June 18, 1941, when he lost his head and was knocked out by Joe in the thirteenth round.

However, there is a growing impression that Conn had his one chance that night. He must develop a more favorable psychology among the customers.

Gene Tunney took a whack at the match when he said that Conn would be disposed of in short order. Most sports writers, of course, pooh-poohed this and some took a few cracks at the one-time holder of the title that now belongs to Louis.

However, there are thousands of fight fans who think Tunney knows something about fights and fighters. There are thousands of others who are highly susceptible to mental suggestion.

In short, the fight can stand some rebuilding. It is not quite the $2,500,000 gate affair which Jacobs talks about.

Mike's impression that a $50,000 rental for one of the New York ball parks would be sufficient naturally does not meet with the approval of Horace Stoneham and Larry MacPhail. However, there is the possibility that, to keep the fight in New York, they may make some sort of concession.

While the Louis-Conn thing is shaping up, Mike might talk up championship battles in other classes, and start the post-war rally with interest in all divisions in which the stars are becoming available again.

There is every indication that this boom will far outdo the one started by the Dempsey-Willard fight after the first World War.

In the current situation there are financial ingredients not developed hitherto. The most important of these is the revenue from the televising of the fight. Radio, television, movies—these appear to add up to staggering sums.

While Jacobs is concerned with this interesting arithmetic, Jack Dempsey comes into the limelight through a report that he is to set himself up as Mike's promotion rival.

The story is that a big advertising agency, which handles millions and millions in big accounts, wants Dempsey to promote fights all over the nation with an eye to the radio, television and movie profits.

Dempsey reportedly will receive a flat sum of $250,000 a year. Staggering? Yes. But not for the people behind the idea and the business they control.

It certainly looks mighty interesting for the fight fans of America. Yes, of the world. For Bruce Woodcock has stirred up remarkable interest in the British Empire.

WRESTLING RETURNS WITH *a* BANG *to the* EAST

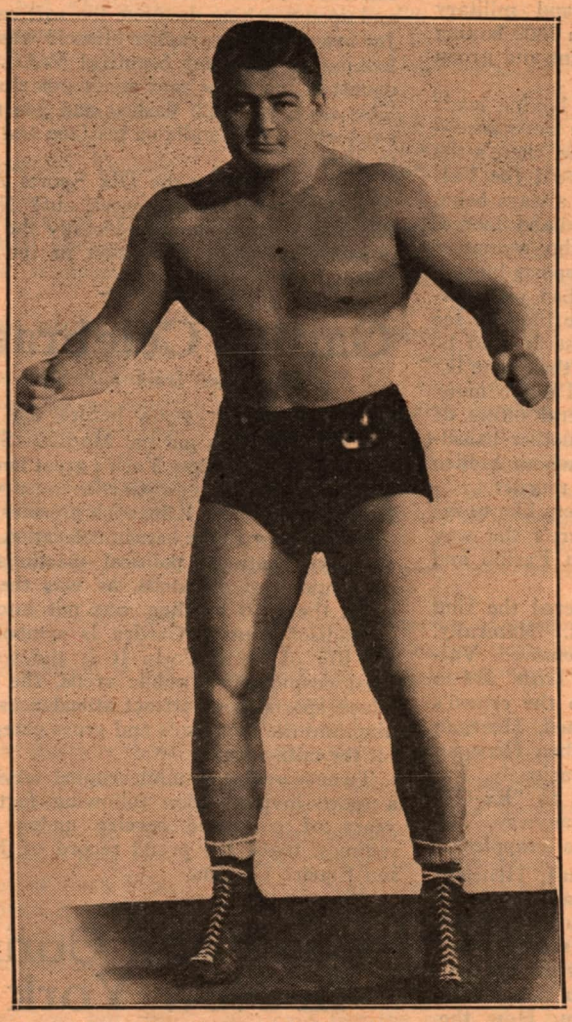
By RICHARD FLETCHER

Lt. Arthur "Tarzan" White of the Air Forces, one of matdom's pre-war favorites who is back at the old stand.

WITH the end of hostilities on all fronts, wrestling has risen from its dormant state and is again flourishing all over the country, particularly in the east where it was on the verge of extinction due to the incursions made in its ranks by the exigencies of war. For a time a promoter considered himself lucky to get together enough men, most of them beyond their prime, to run a four-bout show and the fans, tired of looking at the same faces from week to week, sought other ways of amusing themselves. By the time the armistice in Europe was signed, most clubs were ready to shut their doors permanently for lack of talent.

With the return of the young men from the various battle-fronts, the wavering ranks have been reinforced by several old favorites and by many new faces and the wrestling fanatics are once more flocking to those mat arenas that only a few months before were on the verge of shutting down.

Foremost among the old favorites to return to mat combat is Arthur "Tarzan" White, now a lieutenant in the First Air Force. Lieut. White had established a great record on the mat before joining the Army in 1942. In his four years as a pro gripster, after having been named an All-American guard at the University of Alabama in 1935 and in 1936 and after having played with the New York football Giants and the Chicago Cardinals, he defeated three former world's champions, Sandor Szabo, Dean Detton and Vincent Lopez. He also flattened Man Mountain Dean, Stanley Pinto, Dr. Len Hall and many others too numerous to mention.



Larry Moquin, 22-year-old Canadian, who was recently discharged from the army. He campaigns both in the eastern part of this country and across the border.

Lieut. White is now a member of the First Air Force "Aces" of the AAF football "league" which has already played 6 games in this country and which has four more on its schedule that runs to December 2. At the same time the "Tarzan" will continue his wrestling career and will appear in all the eastern clubs.

Lieut. White is not only a great athlete, but also a man of learning. He took his master's degree in the romance languages at the University of Alabama where he taught Spanish for a year. When he comes out of the army he will dedicate all his time to wrestling.

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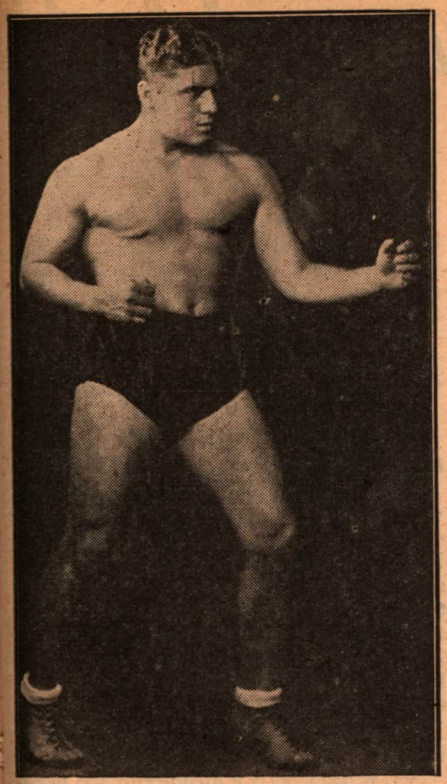
ANOTHER popular star, though only a youngster, to return to the game after having discharged his duties with the Canadian Armed Forces, is Larry Moquin, 22 years old, of Montreal. Moquin, who has been wrestling as a pro for only five years, became a grappler because of his admiration for Yvon Robert, former world's champion. He used to visit the Forum in Montreal where Robert appeared regularly and was so impressed by Yvon's feats, that he decided to emulate him.

He bought himself a complete wrestling outfit and immediately set himself to learn the secrets of the mat art. He joined the gym where Robert and other wrestlers did their training and had daily sessions with all the prominent pros, including Robert. He learned fast, thanks to his youthful enthusiasm, and after eight months he made his debut at the Forum. He was a hit from the start and within a year he became as popular as Robert himself.

Moquin, who is now on one of his frequent tours in this country, is an atomic bomb in action. He is clever, clean-cut and scientific. He stands 5 feet, 11 inches and weighs about 210



Andy Savoldi, the Jersey City Italian, who spent most of his time in a defense plant during the past four years and is now ready to resume his pro wrestling career.

Rockhurst College at Kansas City, Mo., where he played on the varsity football team for two years.

While at college he saw his first wrestling show at Kansas City, Kansas, across the Kaw River. There, in the Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Building, he watched the late "Dynamite" Joe Cox batter an opponent into submission. He reasoned that if Cox, with a mediocre physique compared to his, could be so successful, he too could make good in the arduous sport and abandoned the football team to join the varsity wrestling squad.

One year of amateur grappling served to convince him that he could make it a go as a pro and in 1940 at Topeka, Kansas, he made his pounds. He has been equally successful against roughnecks and orthodox gripsters.

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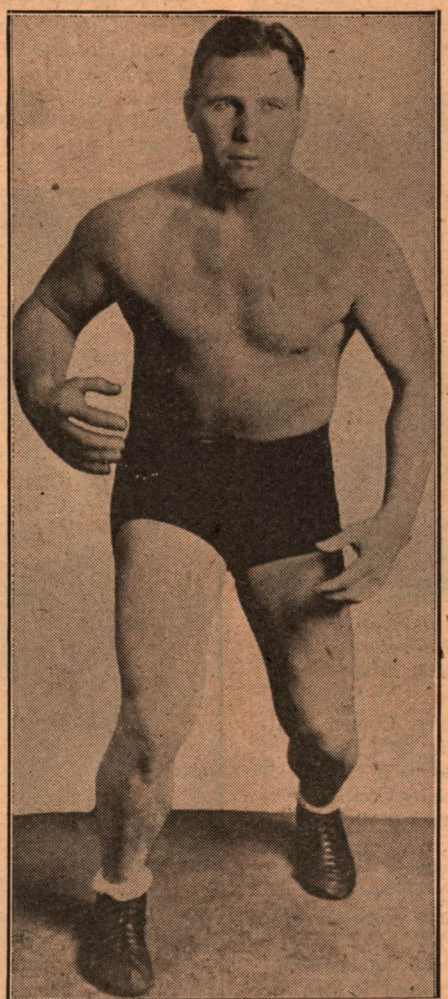
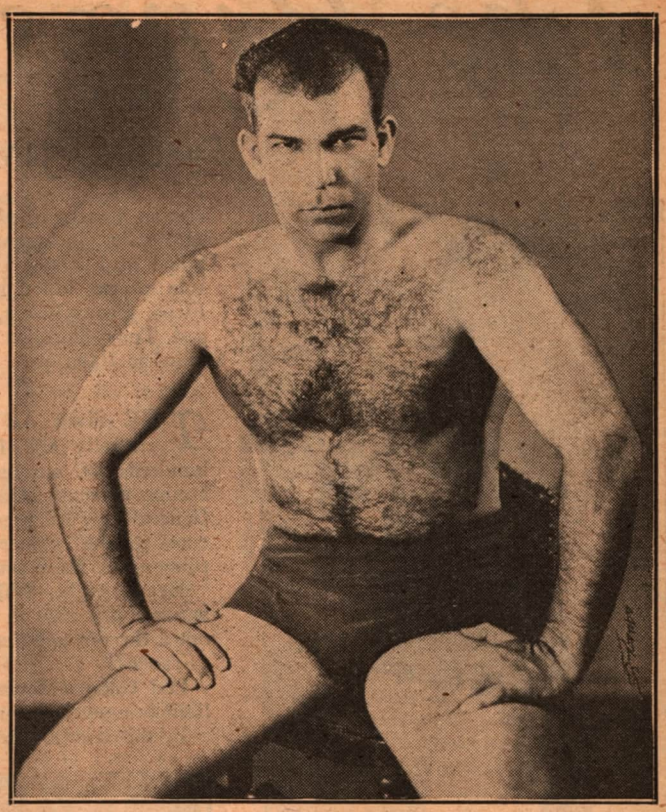
ANOTHER man who has made the headlines since the end of the war, is Chuck Ross, a 6-foot, 8-inch, 270-pound giant from Oklahoma City, Okla. Ross has only been in the east two months, but he has already become a topnotch performer.

Chuck has been wrestling as a pro for four years. Born on a ranch in the vicinity of Oklahoma City, he managed to work his way through high school and then attended



Wally Dusek, who has been engaged as civilian instructor at the Omer N. Bradley Airport, Moberly, Missouri, for the past four years, is getting ready to return to the ring, via New York City. Wally is in fine physical condition, but he wants to take off some poundage before taking up the mat wars again.

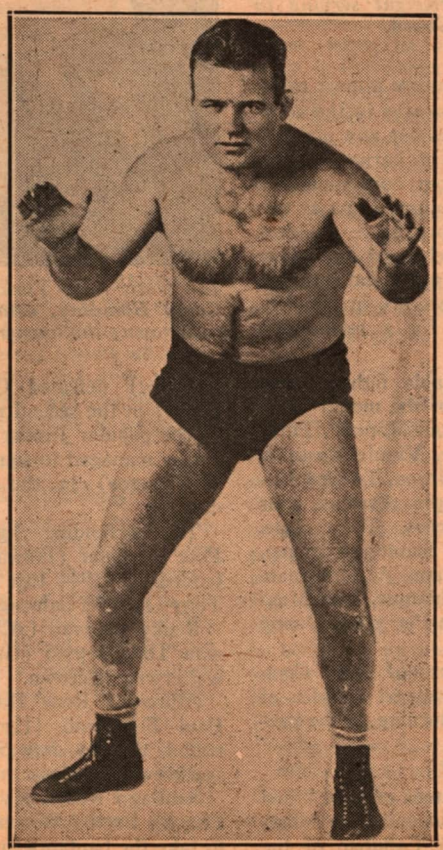


Chuck Ross, 6 feet 8 inches 270 pound grappler, from Oklahoma City.

successful debut against Abe Friedman, flattening him in 18 minutes. He then toured the west and southwest where he became a great attraction and later campaigned with success on the Pacific Coast. This is his first visit to the east.

Other men who will be seen in mat competition in eastern clubs in the near future are Wally, Ernie and Emil Dusek. Joe Dusek insists on continuing his racoon hunting on his Nebraska farm, despite the efforts of the promoters to entice him back into the ring, but with Wally again in action and Rudy Dusek still going strong, there will again be a complete four man riot squad roaming the country and replenishing the wallets of the hungry promoters.

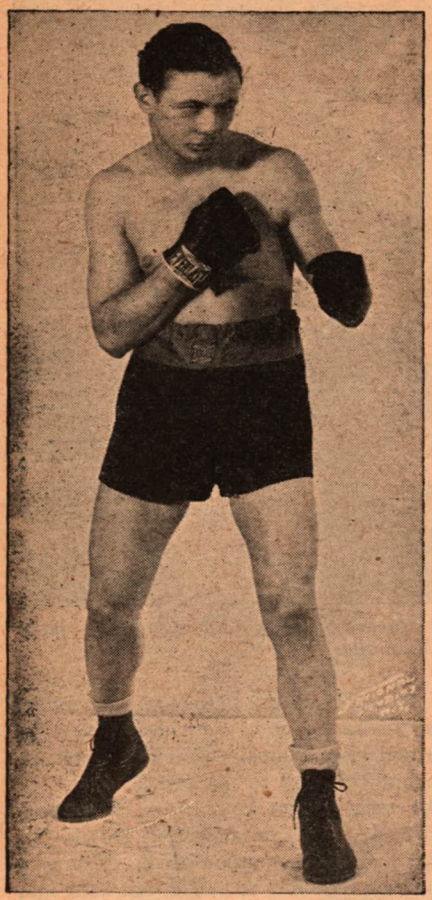
Notes of the grapplers — John Katan, the slab-muscled matman from across *(Cont. on page 33)*



"Rebel" Bob Russell, the Texas Cyclone, who packed them in during his tour of the east last season. He is preparing to return for another campaign against the so-called villains of modern day grappling. Russell boasts that he has more hospital cases to his credit than any other gripster, not even excluding the Dusek clan.

The Ring's Honor Roll

By CPL. JIMMY HEARNS



Al Reid, Bronx featherweight serving in the Coast Guard.

IT won't be long now before almost every professional boxer who was in the service and came through without any physical handicap will be back in harness. Since "V-J Day", reports from correspondents from all parts of the country, show at this writing, a total of 702 pro glove wielders have been honorably discharged and many have already donned the mitts and returned to ring action while others are in training, conditioning themselves for a resumption of fistic activity.

Among the more notable fighters who have rejoined the ranks of the money chasers are Lenny Boom Boom Mancini, Patsy Giovanelli, Sonny Horne, Vinnie Rossano, Reuben Shanks, Cosby Linson, Tommy Roman, Willie Pep, Georgie Abrams, Gus Lesnevich, Larry Cisneros, Tony Zale, Beau Jack, Sal Bartolo, Sammy Adragna, Artie Levine, Red Cochrane, Al Hoosman, Coley Welch, Jerry Berthiaume, Phil Muscato, Marty Servo, Aaron Perry and Danny Kapilow.

Add to these the names of Billy Conn and Joe Louis and one can get an idea of how rapidly boxing is returning to the pre-war state.

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In our last issue the names of men killed in action and missing or wounded, was listed. Add to these Frankie Callahan of the Pacific Coast, killed in the Pacific; Rex McEuclin, Jacksonville light-heavyweight, killed in Europe; Cliff Greenwood, Sarasota welter, killed in Europe; Young Joe Firpo, Pennsylvania, killed on a transport and Tony Tortoise of upper New York, killed in Italy.

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THE Sixth Air Force, which covers virtually all of South America and hundreds of outposts, staged its annual boxing tournament at Albrook Field. Brig. General DeFord presented engraved loving cups to the winners and medals to the runners-up. Here are the results:

Heavyweight, Willie White (Albrook) annexed the title in his class by punching out a three-round decision over Bob Gitzen (France).

Hal Gunn (Howard) was awarded the light-heavyweight cup on a forfeit.

In the middleweight class, John Bomar (France) defeated Grover Conner (Albrook) in the second round by a TKO.

Joe Gati, New York featherweight from Camp Blanding, who has returned from the war, the owner of a Silver Star.

The popular Jimmy Davinson (Albrook) barely managed to squeeze by Cecilio Reyes (Galapagos) in the senior welterweight division.

The defending lightweight champion, Pete Orgeron (Howard) successfully defended his 1944 title via a decision over Tony Ostrea (Galapagos).

Rocky Sullivan (Albrook) outclassed his man Tony Musto (Galapagos) to win the welterweight crown.

Albrook's Rene Burlinger knocked out Paul Fortunato (Howard) in the third round, thereby annexing the crown in the featherweight class.

Santiago Rodriguez (Galapagos) got by Charley Brett (Albrook) in a close decision to take the bantamweight cup.

The fastest bout of the evening was between two San Blas Indians. Baby San Blas, Jr., won over Baby San Blas, Sr., in a preliminary bout that was hailed as the battle for the championship of San Blas Islands.

Short sketches of fighters in the service follow:

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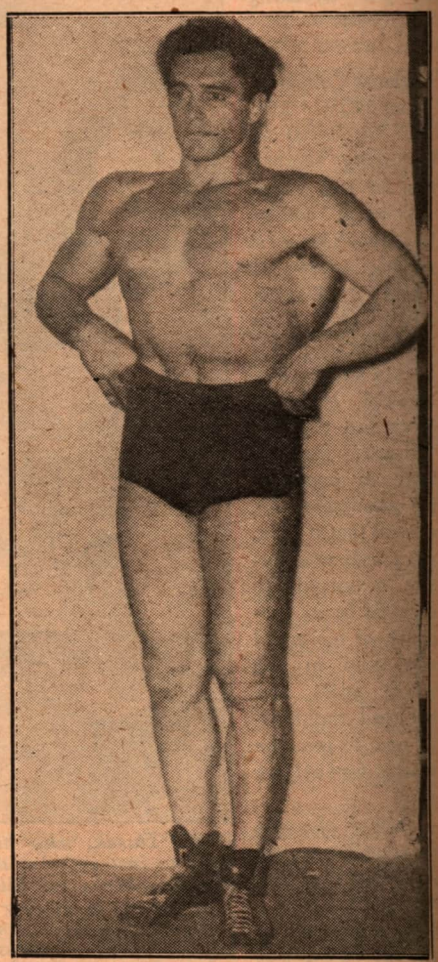
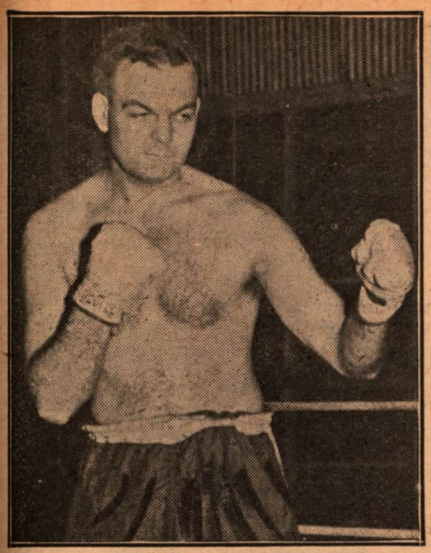
SGT. MAXIE KATZ

BOXING experts have predicted for quite some time now that the next world's heavyweight champ would be an ex-serviceman. That may be so, but if Sgt. Maxie Katz can do anything about it, the next light-heavyweight king is also going to be a former GI. That's just another way for Maxie to say that he's going to make a serious bid for the 175-pound crown once he sheds his OD's and returns to Stillman's Gym in New York." Thus writes S/Sgt. Jack Fleischer, editor of the Pawling *Wings*.

Sgt. Katz, who is a member of the physical reconditioning staff at the AAF Convalescent Hospital of Pawling, N. Y., was well on his way to the big time when the war broke out, and had a sensational professional record of 60 victories and five defeats as a middleweight. Prior to that he



Harry Varteresian, Los Angeles Marine, a weight lifter with a fine record.



Willie White of the U. S. Army Air Force stationed in the Canal Zone.

had turned in an unbeaten record of 45 wins as an amateur, capturing the Ontario Golden Gloves lightweight crown in 1938.

Boxing isn't Maxie's only claim to fame. He was born in Hamilton, Ontario, in 1918 and was an all-around track star in high school. He especially liked long distance running, and in 1939 he decided to take a crack at Canada's famous Hamilton to Toronto race. The event annually attracts internationally famed marathon runners, and no one, except Maxie, gave his entry a second thought. Maxie was confident that he'd make a good showing, but he did more than that. Not only did he win the race, but he set an amateur's world record by covering the 44 miles in five hours and 15 minutes.

Maxie is also the physical fitness champ of the Air Force, having established a high mark of 98 in 1944 while stationed at the Pawling Rehabilitation Center. He's mighty proud of that record along with his boxing and running honors, but as you might guess, the versatile Maxie would be proudest about another achievement. To him, his athletic honors run second to the time he won a $25 bond for playing a harmonica on one of Major Bowes' amateur shows.

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AL REID

TO Uncle Sam he is Coast Guardsman Abe Reibman, electrician's mate second class, who is serving aboard a Coast Guard-manned troop transport, but to the thousands of boxing fans who have cheered and booed him, he is Al Reid, one of the leading featherweight contenders of his day and a great in-fighter, writes Joseph A. Pinna, Coast Guard correspondent. Al is a veteran of over 100 fights since he turned pro in 1935, of which he won his share. A great drawing card, Al fought mostly main bouts. The Reid-Mike Belloise bout drew over 14,000 fans to the New York Coliseum. During his fighting career, Al exchanged blows with Belloise in three bouts, two were draws and the third went to Belloise. He also fought Kid Chocolate, Beau Jack, Pete Scalzo, Chalky Wright, Sal Bartolo and Leo Rodak, all first-string fighters and well known in the boxing world.

His toughest fights were with Beau Jack and Chalky Wright. He fought Jack on a three-day notice, substituting for a South American boxer who was unable to keep his appointment with the hard-hitting Beau, who later became world's lightweight champion. Al lost to both Jack and Wright.

Al entered the Coast Guard on November 19, 1941, and the night before, he met Joey Martinelli of Dayton, Ohio, in the New York Coliseum and scored a victory.

Al recently sailed around the world with his ship during her maiden voyage. While on this globe-girdling trip he crossed the Equator twice and visited six foreign ports. He is entitled to wear the American, Asiatic-Pacific and European-African-Middle East Campaign Ribbons and also the American Defense Ribbon. He is now serving in Indian waters.

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JOE GATI

A 112-LB. KID named Joe Gati, stepped into Madison Square Garden ring on the night of the 1941 Golden Glove finals. It was his exit from competition for a time because he was due to join forces with his Uncle Sam and don the khaki. Joey lost that night to a Negro flyweight, Lee Booker, but in his "big" fight overseas, the Bronx boy came out a Silver Star winner. The pint-sized lad received the coveted award for his heroic jump as a paratrooper.

But let's start the story from its thrilling beginning in early November, 1941, when Joey took training with the famed 98th division at Camp Breckenbridge in Kentucky, writes Cpl. Nat Haber. Volunteering for hazardous duty with the Office of Strategic Services, Gati landed in North Africa in August of 1943. Paratroop training in rugged Algiers and then six commando missions with the British forces off Italy's coast, prepared the ex-flyweight amateur champ from the Bronx for his story-making adventures with the Italian Partisans. Joe and his inseparable hometown buddy, Joe Marino, led and directed nearly a thousand prisoners to safety clear out of the unsuspecting Jerry hands.

A recent returnee from Europe, Joe will soon receive his "Mr." title again. He had compiled an enviable record as an amateur boxer and will lace his mitts and turn pro under the watchful and thorough experienced fistic eye of Phil Terranova, ex-NBA feather boss. Gati, with a record of 16 wins in 18 bouts, should be a flyweight threat. Add the boy's army experience, his present weight, 125 pounds, and an impressive string of victories in GI boxing shows all over Africa, Sicily and Italy, and then you'll agree that "Jacobs Beach" will soon be talking about Joe Gati, the soldier flyweight.

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HARRY VARTERESIAN

LOS ANGELES furnished to the Fighting Marines a weight lifter, Harry Varteresian, of whom his outfit is proud. Harry, whose home is Los Angeles, is an all around athlete who besides doing his daily chores as a Leatherneck, spends from two to four hours a day building his body by weight lifting exercises. He is handsomely proportioned.

Harry is 22 years old and has been in the Marines for upwards of three years. He is now stationed in Hilo, Hawaii. He stands 6 feet, 2 inches, scales 220 pounds, has a

Al Colletti, member of the U. S. Coast Guard, a boxer who is well thought of by his mates.

chest expansion of 54 inches. His biceps measure 17½ inches; his forearm, 16; wrist, 9; waist 32; and his ankle 11 inches. He graduated from the Roosevelt High School in Los Angeles and played football. He hopes to take advantage of the GI Bill of Rights and matriculate to the University of California or to U.C.L.A.

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JOHNNY AICHERS

AFTER three years of service, Johnny Aichers, of pre-war heavyweight promise, has changed titles from Boatswain's Mate First Class to "Mr.", in ceremonies held October 3 at the Third Naval District Coast Guard Personnel Separation Center in Brooklyn. Aichers, 25, spent the majority of his service career as a physical instructor and has the training of thousands of recruits to his credit.

The heavyweight started his professional career when he joined Gus Lesnevich's stable in California in 1938. Given his first training lesson by his Farrell, Pa., neighbor, Billy Soose, Aichers was later under the tutelage of Ray Arcel and became a Jimmy Braddock protege. He has boxed and trained with Billy Conn, Gus Lesnevich and Bob Pastor. Lesnevich has been high in praise for Aichers, whom he says "is a fine service prospect."

After a reasonable time to get back in trim, Aichers intends to make a comeback in the fight game.

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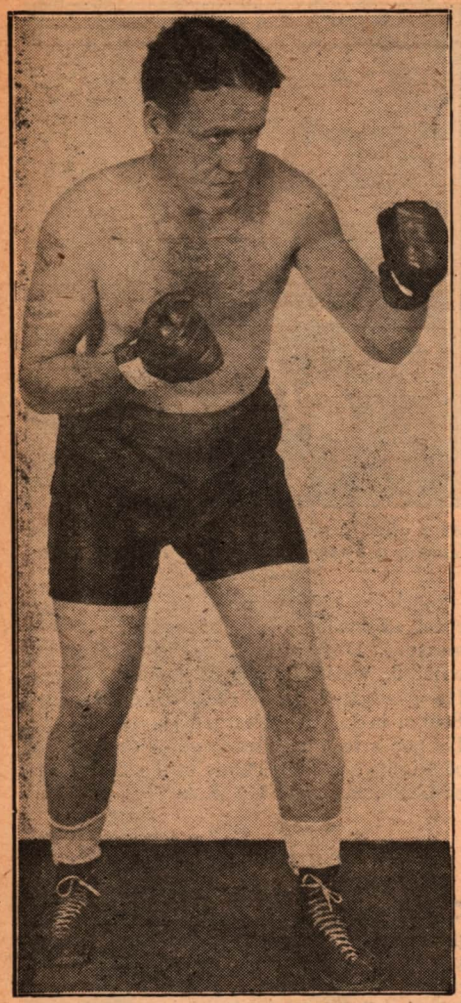
TONY VERO

TONY VERO, a hard-hitting welterweight, hailing from Rome, N. Y., but now fighting out of Stamford, Conn., is doing well since turning pro. As an amateur, under the direction of Tony Storace, popular Rome, N. Y., manager, Vero won the A.A.U., Silver Gloves and Diamond Belt Championship. On his 17th birthday, Vero enlisted in the U. S. Marines where he became a member of the famous Southeastern Champion Parris Island boxing team which consisted of Artie Levine, Frankie Carto, Lefty LaChance, Jimmy Carollo, Russ Sawyer and Billy Jordan.

While Vero was in the Marine Corps, Homer Foglio, who was in charge of the boxing program at Parris Island, having



S/Sgt. Walter Passone, U. S. Army Air Forces, European Theater of Operations, a middleweight crowd pleaser.

succeeded John Carleton and Tommy Lougran, ex-light-heavy champ, became so impressed with the youngster's punching power and general all-around ability, that he signed him up to a contract for a post-war boxing career.

Now, with both Vero and Foglio discharged, Vero is being brought along and developed by Foglio, a former amateur boxing star himself and long known throughout Connecticut as an excellent trainer.

Vero is 19 years old. His pro record follows: Joe Davis, K.O. 1; Jerry McGee, W. 6; Johnny Frey, K.O. 5; Billy Randolph, K.O. 3; Jimmy Cogman, K.O. 2; Tom Harmon, K.O. 2; Tony Ryles, K.O. 1; Johnny Duke, K.O. 5; Julio Gallucci, K.O. 5; Johnny King, W. 6; Allie Wolfe, W. 8.

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SGT. "BABE" BENNETT

SGT. BENNETT, better known as "Babe" Bennett to boxing fans in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota, recently arrived from Germany. He was injured last February in Germany and was hospitalized for several weeks. He joined the 78th Division boxing team on May 8th. He was under the management of Tommy Yarosz and Tony Costa. Just before his first bout he became ill and was taken to a general hospital in Belgium where his case was diagnosed as polyneuritis. He was transferred to a hospital in Paris, then to Springfield, Missouri, O'Reilly General Hospital. He is able to walk now. He works out in the gym several hours each day. He is anxiously waiting for his discharge so he can continue boxing in St. Paul. He weighs 178 pounds.

Tony Vero, hard hitting Rome, N. Y., welter, recently discharged from the army.

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AL ROWAN

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS AL ROMANOWSKI is one of those who doffed boxing trunks and gloves for suntans and a rifle. His home is in Jersey City. Pfc. Romanowski, who has served in Guadalcanal, the Solomons and Bougainville, is at present serving in Manila with the 22nd Special Service Co. His job is putting on boxing shows for the servicemen.

Pfc. Bobby Merideth of the Army Redistribution Center of Santa Barbara, Calif.

Jimmy Fields, of Chicago, who is back in civvies.

In his professional boxing career, he fought with such prominent boxers as Billy Beauhuld and Maxie Fischer, among many others, under the ring name of Al Rowan. He has been a professional boxer for eight years. Before joining the Army, he was boxing instructor for the Paul Revere Boys Club of Jersey City.

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JIMMY FIELDS

JIMMY FIELDS who has just recently been discharged from the armed forces has again donned the leather mittens and intends to campaign among the heavies. Fields won the Welterweight Golden Gloves Crown in Chicago and in 1937 made a world trip as a pro middleweight. While in the service of his country he won heavyweight championships in North Africa, Sicily and France and advanced to the finals in Algiers.

Fields is making his home in St. Louis and trains at the Lou Wallach Missouri Boxing Association Gym.

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JIMMY "KID" DOYLE

JIMMY "KID" DOYLE, New England's good light-heavy of the twenties, has been entertaining and instructing boys of the armed forces since being released from Norfolk T.S. as boxing instructor. Doyle has been on tour with the Art Lewis and World of Mirth shows.

Doyle matched his boys with boys in the armed forces with success. His shows were well received.

Doyle expects his two sons to do well in boxing. They are Tech. Corp. Vince Doyle Daleo of the U.S. Army, now in Japan, winner of a service tournament in the 160-lb. class and Radioman 2/c Michael Doyle Daleo, former 128-lb. champ of the third fleet and winner of the service tournament 147-lb. class at Panama last year.

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PFC. BOBBY MERIDETH

NEWEST star in southern California's ring galaxy is Pfc. Bobby Merideth, Army Redistribution Station lightweight, who whipped Joey Lock of Los Angeles by the knockout route this week at Mission Athletic Club. Merideth, a 21-year-old veteran of two years overseas with the 75th Division, has entered the local ring three times, scored two K.O.'s and lost a close decision. A trim, well-conditioned boy, the soldier relies on speedy footwork and expertly timed blows. A solid puncher, the 137-pounder is good with both gloves.

The soldier slugger began boxing at 16, when he caught the eye of Harry Winkler at Los Angeles' Southwest Arena. As an amateur during his high school years, Merideth won 36 of 40 bouts. Entering the Army on December 18, 1942, he was stationed at Ft. Warren, Wyo., where he won nine of ten fights and the championship of his regiment. While waiting for D-Day, the youthful Infantryman kept in trim by boxing in London arenas, won an Army medallion for his ring victories.

His ambition is to write about boxing, for Merideth believes "the typewriter is mightier than the right hook."

Wrestling Returns With a Bang

(Continued from page 29)

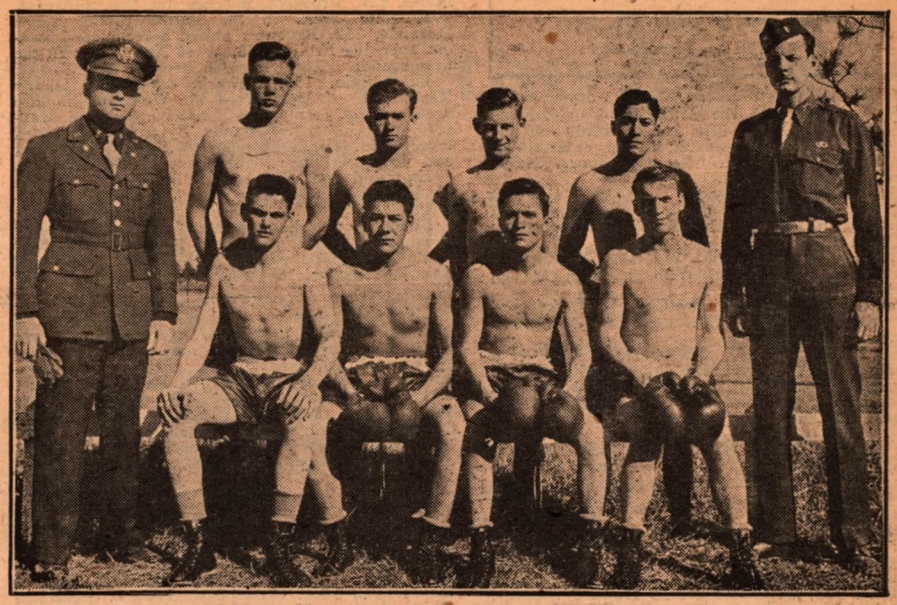
the border, is back as one of the outstanding characters in northern New York shows. A veteran campaigner who has travelled the circuit from Vancouver to Venezuela and thence to Africa, he is now back in harness and has become a favorite with the Buffalo and the Montreal fans.

Strangler Bob Wagner is a master of rough stuff. In his recent match with Ole Olson, a 260 pounder, Bob gave an exhibition of choking just short of the banned strangle hold, that kept Ole gasping for breath. In elbow smashing, hair pulling and kicking, there are few wrestlers who get away with more than does Bob.

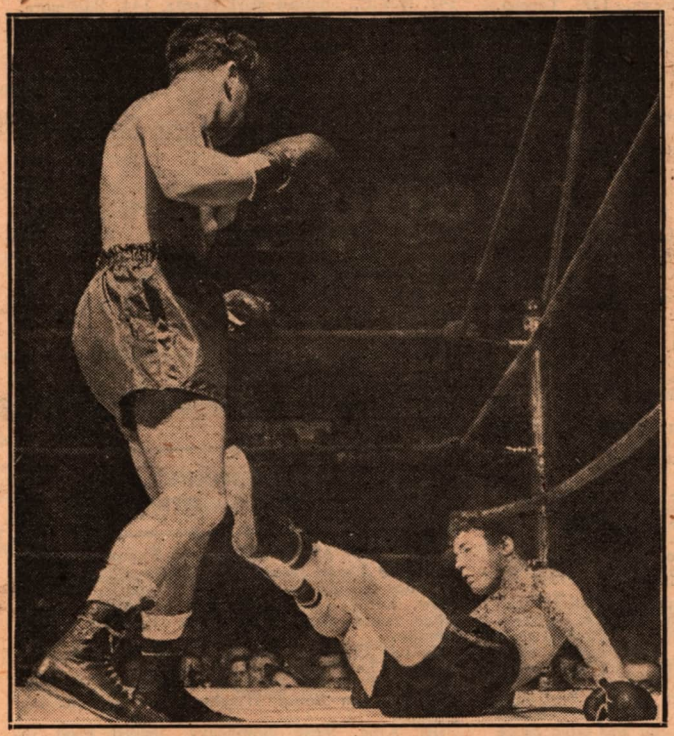
Doc Len Hall, a veteran of many years, is still in the game, going as strongly as ever.

Leroy McGuirk, claimant of the junior heavyweight crown, continues to win his bouts in California. In a tussle a few weeks ago, he put up a grand exhibition against Dave Levin of New York and won two out of three falls to "retain his title."

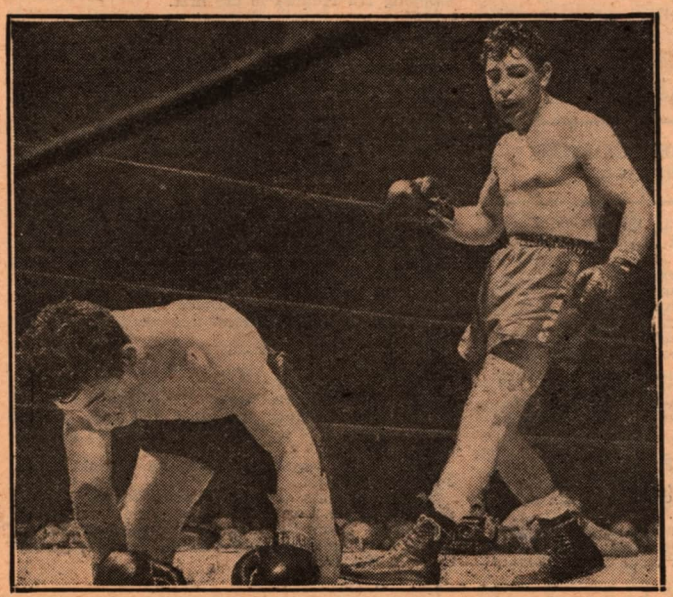
Headliners on the Pacific Coast are Mexico Carlos Mojica, the Golden Terror, Pere Lasartes, Dave Levin, Sandor Szabo, Willie Davis, Cy Williams, Ted Cox, Kayo Koverly, Gene Bowman, Red Berry, Ali Pasha, Stan Hackney, Murzuk Muratt, the Turk with the flowing moustache, Leroy McGuirk, Bummy Rogers, Bummy Davis, and Danny McShane, the Irish Adonis.



Camp Shelby's fighting squad — front row, left to right: Lieut. John W. Williams, Post Athletic Officer Irving Dunkle, Janus Sanchez, William Hambrick, Jan Camachio and Lieut. Paul Beardsley. Second row, left to right: Bill Murphy, Buford Evans, Roland Elsbury, and Dan Rodriguez.



Tony Janiro as he hit the deck in the first round of his fight with Johnny Greco which Greco won by unanimous decision.



Here we see the youthful Janiro floundering badly as he is dropped again in the seventh session with a right to the jaw. Tony, an odds-on-favorite, was easy for his Canadian rival.

KANSAS CITY AND VICINITY
By JUANITA YEARGAIN

HANDSOME BILLY CONN drew 4,500 customers into the Municipal Auditorium's arena in Kansas City and $9,389.69 into the box office when he appeared in an entertaining 3-round exhibition with "Bearcat" Jones, Negro sparring mate.

The challenger's presence highlighted a 4-bout card and gave the crowd a look at the left hand that came close to stabbing the heavyweight crown off Joe Louis' noggin.

The results: Lee Savold, 199, Des Moines, Ia., knocked out Sonny Jim Williams, 185, Toledo, O., 1:03, third round.

Pat Comiskey, 219, Jersey City, N. J., knocked out Dan Merritt, 200, Cleveland, O., 2:33, third round.

Joe Hartfield, 161½, Omaha, Neb., won by a technical knockout over Li'l Abner, 151, Kansas City, Kans., 1:25, third round. Frank Fakety, 171, Omaha, Neb., outpointed Merrill Campbell, 161½, Kansas City, Kans., 4 rounds.

It was a battle all the way as Jackie Wilson, Topeka lightweight, edged out a narrow decision over Hutchinson's Golden Gloves champion, Jesse Moore, on your correspondent's all-amateur boxing show in Topeka, October 12. Four of the six bouts went to the Capital City's mitt artists over their superbly touted Central Kansas foes.

Results: Warren Coleman, 153, Topeka, decisioned Ralph Phoenix, 152, Hutchinson. Merle Kindred, 132, Topeka, defeated Howard Stevens, 133, Hutchinson Naval Base. Joe Kennedy, 130, Hutchinson, beat Duke Andrews, 128, Topeka. Raymond Young, 160, Kansas City, won from Kenny Bernard, 158, Hutchinson. Bobby Jenkins, heavyweight, Hutchinson, scored a T.K.O. over Lincoln Eager, Kansas City. Jimmy Beardon, 149, Hutchinson, kayoed Pfc. M. C. Wilson, TAAF, round one. Shifty Gardner, 135, Topeka, beat Danny Gomez, 133, Hutchinson. Gerald Woodson, 126, Hutchinson, whipped Von Watts, 126, Topeka. Leon Lewis, 174, Topeka, was given the nod over Henry C. Cay, 190, Topeka (exhibition bout).

Ray Spurlock, Kansas City professional middleweight, and former Golden Gloves champion, is chalking up quite a record in Minneapolis, Des Moines, and points east.

A new sports group has been organized in Kansas City, it was announced recently. Known as Sports, Inc., its officials are Harry A. Hodgins, president; Harry F. Kehoe, vice-president and athletic director and Earl B. Taylor, secretary-treasurer. Their first step will be the establishment of a gymnasium at Twelfth and Broadway for returning service men where complete workouts will be available.

"Gentleman Gene" Reardon, 214-pound Kansas City wrestler, sends regards to his friends from Tokyo Bay, where he is located with the Q. M. division of the U. S. Navy.

Danny Fenlon, who formerly wrestled under the name of Jimmy Lee, is back in the Midwest following 3½ years in service.

S/Sgt. Dick Raines, skillful mat artist, writes from Fort Lewis, Washington, where he is currently stationed as an athletic instructor to army men.

Nelson Eddie Collins, Topeka wrestler, who served two years overseas with the 501st regiment of the 101st Airborne Division of Paratroopers, has returned to Midwest ring competition. Collins holds two foreign citations, the Belgian Cor-de-lager, and the French Legion of Honor. He was awarded the Purple Heart with two oak leaf clusters, the Bronze Arrowhead with four combat stars, and the C. I. T. badge and was cited twice by the late President.

Wrestling is drawing excellent crowds in this section as dozens of ring favorites are returning from service.

Your wrestling and boxing notes are appreciated. Note correspondent's change of address: Juanita Yeargain, 704 Kansas Ave., Suite 306.

IN THE NEW JERSEY CORNER
By HARRY MANSBACH

CLINT MILLER, 135, was floored by a left hook for a seven-second count in the first round, but won an easy eight-round decision from Angel Aviles, 130, Mexico, in the feature bout at Laurel Garden, Newark. Referee Cavalier gave Aviles the first two frames and the rest to Miller.

Frank Zamaris, 178, Orange, outpointed Cpl. James Polk, 172, Camp Kilmer, in another eight. Solly Zalter, 169, Montreal, outpointed Johnnie Harvey, 160, in six. Tommie DeMantis, 128, New York, drew with Tito Valles, 122, New York, in four. Gio Segura, 168, Mexico, was outpointed by Billy Evans, 161, Newark, in four.

Joe "Butch" Lynch, 162, Plainfield, outpointed Billy Johnson, 158, Brooklyn, in eight rounds at the New Brunswick boxing club. Two six-round bouts also ended in decisions. Archie Stock, 135, Brooklyn, defeated Benny Daniels, 129, Chicago, and Willie Wright, 154, Englewood, gained the nod over Lew Perez, 159, Puerto Rico. Tommy Manti, 127, Brooklyn, knocked out Lou Suliveres, 128, New York, in the fourth round. Eddie Durando, 152, Bayonne, scored a technical knockout over Joe Froiju, 148, West New York, in the first round.

Joe Curcio, 155, Newark, outpointed Johnny Ryan, 154, of Detroit, in the ten-round feature event at the Jersey City Gardens. Referee Mangold gave Curcio five rounds, Ryan two and called three even. Pedro Bresca, 133, of Mexico City and Joey Fernandez, 136, Jersey City, drew in a six-round bout. Clarence Wilkinson, 161, New York, decisioned Walter Cunningham, 161, Newark.

Both four round bouts ended in decisions. Jimmy Corti, 135, Trenton, won over Johnny Mizza, New York, and James Stevens, 138, New York, won over Joe Marmo, 136, Paterson.

This writer has compiled a complete listing of all New Jersey promoters, matchmakers, fight clubs, and their addresses and locations. Send twenty-five cents in coin or stamps and self-addressed envelope for list to Harry Mansbach, 37 Arlington St., Newark 2, N. J. Boxers who are willing to show around Jersey and metropolitan New York and have no managerial ties, can contact same address. Please enclose self-addressed stamped envelope with complete record, age, weight, etc.

Freddie Archer, 145, Newark, won an easy decision over Baby Al Brown, 140, West Indies, in a 10-round bout in Laurel Garden, Newark. Brown won only one round and Archer all the rest. Brown bled from the mouth in the fourth and again in the seventh. Oscar Goode, 176, Newark, decisioned Willie Davis, 171, New York. Bozo Costantino, 147, N.Y.C., stopped Earl Wentz, 144, Baltimore. Billy Ellison, 152, Newark, outpointed Al Pecora, 157, Newark, in four.

Freddie Russo, 130, Rahway, belted his way to his 53rd victory in 54 professional fights by outpointing Augie Lapara, 129, New Orleans, in the eight-round feature at the Jersey City Gardens. Lapara had been expected to make it a very close fight, but won only two rounds on Referee Paul Cavalier's scorecard with five going to Russo and one called even. In scheduled sixes Lou Prince, 130, Princeton, T.K.O.'ed Bill Cummings, 133, Newark, in the fourth round and Willie Davis, 169½, Brooklyn, outpointed Al Calgut, Newark.

Lee Oma, 198, Detroit, encountered little difficulty in outpointing Larry Lane, 197, Trenton, in the feature 10-round bout at Laurel Garden, Newark. Oma won all 10 rounds.

Oscar Goode, 177, Newark, decisioned Jimmie Smith, 179, Philadelphia, in six, while another six went to Archie Stock, 133, Brooklyn, over Oscar Williams, 134, New York. Roger Muriel, 153, Elizabeth, outpointed Billy Evans, 158, Newark.

CLEVELAND BOXING NEWS
By PHIL GOLDSTEIN

JOHNNY PAPKE and Harold Evans have presented 3 good shows at the Metropolitan theater since the last issue of THE RING. In the first show, Leroy Jackson made a punching bag of Angel Aviles, winning every one of the ten rounds handily.

Johnny Chatman, Buffalo, lost an unpopular decision to Leo Garrett in a six-rounder.

Ossie Peguese, Youngstown, won a hairline decision from Bobby Wright in the best of the prelims.

Al King, local light-heavy, looked good in stopping Ira Hughes in the first.

In the second show Berry Wright won by a comfortable margin over Bob Fowler, Chicago, in ten rounds. They are welterweights.

In the prelims, Mickey Doyle, Toronto middle, gave Baby Galento, Chicago, a licking. Johnny Chatman kayoed Popy Gonzales, Canton lightie, in the third. Tony Brush lost a close one to Art Tate. Al King again looked good kayoing Bobby Giles, Buffalo, in the first.

In the third show, Leo Garrett kayoed Johnny Chatman in the third with a right to the body.

In the prelims, Rudy Zadell, Barberton lightweight, defeated Ray Miller, Elmwood City, by a split vote. Mickey Doyle gave Jim Turner, Akron, a licking. Juan Manuel lost a close decision to Ossie Peguese. Al King scored his third straight one-round kayo, this time at the expense of Henry Johnson, Detroit.

At the Arena on October 29, Promoters Bob Brickman and Larry Atkins presented Jackie Wilson and Frankie Terry, Brooklyn, as headliners. Wilson, much improved since the Chuck Hunter fight, was too good for Terry and stopped him in the fifth.

Billy Conn toyed with Bearcat Wright in a 3-round exhibition.

In the prelims, Tommy Rotolo, Rome, N. Y., stopped Jackie Carroll, Detroit junior welter, in the fourth. Jerry Berthiaume, Toronto light-heavy, looked very good kayoing Charley Lomski, Jersey City, in the second.

Charley Padalino, Detroit middleweight, gained a split verdict over Jack Hill, Chicago.

Roy Lewis, Chicago, beat Rudy Zadell.

Chuck Lloyd, local lightie, looked good kayoing Mexican Chico Mars in the first.

Dave Mason, boxing in Buffalo, kayoed the popular heavy Billy Nitchy in the first. Mason will be back there soon, having made a hit.

Leroy Jackson, 130, lost a very close decision to Oscar Williams, 132½, N. Y., at Akron, O. Jackson scored a knockdown in the first at the bell. Jackson was off form and would welcome a return bout.

IOWA, NEBRASKA AND SOUTH DAKOTA SPARKS
By BILL HAWKINS

WE regret that we are forced to take issue with a Mr. E. R. Wilson, writing a sports column published in a little publicity pamphlet called the *Sportscaster* coming out of Des Moines, Ia. Under this by-line it is claimed that THE RING is being influenced by Mr. Monopoly (Mike Jacobs), owing to the fact that THE RING carried a cover picture of Bruce Woodcock, English heavyweight, and also ranked him in third place. This, Wilson claims, is a build-up for Mike Jacobs to steal the British heavyweight attraction from Pinkie George, Des Moines promoter, who claims to have made the original arrangements to bring the English boxer to America.

THE RING Magazine has no axe to grind with anyone, nor is it being controlled by any certain faction. THE RING favors no color or creed. Only in the protection of the fistic sport is THE RING interested in negotiations between boxing promoters, boxers, and managers. The writer has been on THE RING staff since 1929, and has watched promoters, managers, and fighters come and go, some with good intentions, some fly-by-night. Hence, when anyone contends that THE RING is being used by a monopoly the writer is forced to make an issue of it. The answer to Mr. E. R. Wilson can be found if he will read Nat Fleischer's answer to Frank Butler of the London *Daily Express*, page 23, the December issue of THE RING.

Sioux City, Ia.—Pfc. Chester Sharp, with the army communication service at the Sioux City army air base, has joined the staff of the Y.M.C.A. He formerly was affiliated with the Y.M.C.A. branch at Detroit. Pfc. Sharp will be in charge of boys' gym classes and will teach boxing and bag punching from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Boxers who would like to show their wares in this section are urged to get in touch with the writer at once. Managers seeking representation are also asked to get in touch with the writer. Please send record and photo. The writer is also interested in hearing from boxers in South America, Canada and Europe. Send all news for this spot to Bill Hawkins, 1900 Wall Street, Sioux City 19, Iowa.

Des Moines, Ia.—Jackie Graves, ranking Austin, Minn., featherweight, had little trouble in disposing of Billy Heath, Des Moines, via the T.K.O. route in the third round of a scheduled 10-round bout. Graves, who scaled 133½, two pounds less than his foe, swarmed all over the Negro fighter, knocking him down three times in the second round, and twice in the third before Nate Fidler stopped the fight. In the semi-windup, Ray Spurlock, 160, of Kansas City, gained a six-round decision over Roland Taylor, 165, Des Moines.

Yankton, So. Dak.—Amateur boxing which has not been seen here for at least six years will open the indoor boxing season.

Last Minute Sparks . . . Plans for the annual Golden Gloves tournament staged by the Sioux City *Journal-Tribune* are in the making, and amateur boxers from this section who are interested should contact the *Journal-Tribune* . . . Frank Fakley, middleweight, is booking out of Omaha, Neb.

Clyde Smith, RING correspondent from Texas and well known in this section, is doing right well in the South. Jimmie Amann of Cincinnati, Ohio, runs a sheet called "Fight Flashes."

If plans work out Sioux City will again be one of the leading boxing centers in the middlewest. . . . To F. D. at Sioux Falls, So. Dak.: Ad Wolgast stopped Battling Nelson in 40 rounds at Port Richmond, Cal., on February 22, 1910, winning the world's lightweight title. Suggest you look over THE RING book shop lists. . . To F. P. D., Spencer, Ia., Terry McGovern knocked out Joe Gans in the second round at Chicago, December 13, 1899: To J. C. at Omaha, Neb.: I suggest you contact THE RING Book Shop. Space will not permit me to publish the complete records of the fighters you wish, sorry.

BUY VICTORY BONDS

Stolz Is the Fighter of the Month

By THE RING EDITOR

ALLIE STOLZ'S great comeback to the championship form he displayed prior to being belted out of the picture some time ago by Tippy Larkin, gained for him the honor of being named "The Fighter of the Month." In a fine exhibition of boxing, hitting and generalship combined with extreme courage, Allie won the unanimous verdict of the officials over the ranking lightweight contender, Willie Joyce and with it, became a threat to those who hold the reins, Cpl. Bob Montgomery, New York's title holder, and Ike Williams, the N.B.A. king. In the fight with Joyce, Allie had everything that goes with good fighting qualities. His heavy upset was the most talked of event of the past month.

Ruben Shank, the cowboy welter, lost his place in the ranking ten by losing to Chuck Hunter of Cleveland, who replaces him. Chuck won the unanimous verdict and dropped the cowboy twice.

Lee Q. Murray, who, after his loss to O'Dell Riley, beat Yancey Henry and was trying hard to get back into the ranking section, lost his chance when he was disqualified in Baltimore in the eighth round in his bout with Jersey Joe Wolcott.

Elmer Ray, a good heavyweight who has been clamoring for a chance to meet some of the topnotchers, continues to hold attention. He went up a peg to fourth place by virtue of his latest two victories over Jimmy Gardner and Hubert Hood, respectively. That he doesn't fight better talent is not his fault. He cannot force the better class fellows to meet him. Out of eleven fights this year he has scored nine knockouts. Joe Baksi, inactive, rates last.

In the light-heavyweight section Archie Moore holds the top rung as leading contender. His knockout of O'Dell Riley clinched the place for him. He retains his post despite his defeat by Holman Williams. Phil Muscato has advanced considerably. He now rates second.

Holman Williams is the outstanding middleweight. His latest feat of defeating Archie Moore is a feather in his cap. Charley Burley follows with Jake LaMotta and Rocky Graziano in third and fourth places respectively. Marcel Cerdan, by virtue of two quick kayoes, goes up to fifth place.

Jimmy Doyle has made rapid strides in the welter class where he now holds down the runner-up post to Ray Robinson. Freddie Archer gained prestige as did Johnny Greco, whose defeat of Tony Janiro put Tony back under Sammy Angott. Nick Moran is back in the ratings in fifth place.

Enrique Bolanos, who has been highly rated as a feather, joins the ranks of the lightweights now that he cannot make the feather limit. He has been fighting around the 132 pounds mark.

Sal Bartolo regained first place in the featherweight section with Chalky Wright close on his trail. Chalky's disputed verdict over Leroy Willis, lost him his choice spot. Freddie Russo has come back to the select circle and now occupies seventh position. Jackie Graves boxed an ordinary lightweight, Jimmy Joyce, and was kayoed thus losing considerable prestige in the featherweight ranks. Graves scaled 130½ to 132½ for Joyce.

Benny Goldberg, one of the best bantams in the world, has replaced Tony Olivera as the Number One man. In the flyweight division, a new name appears in the Cuban champion, Luis Galvani.

Heavyweight contests: Arturo Godoy knocked out Louis Long, 7. Elmer Ray outpointed Hubert Hood, 10. Lee Q. Murray outpointed Henry Yancey, 10. Clayton Worlds scored over Buddy Walker, 10.

Cleo Everett knocked out Chris Koerkle, 1; knocked out Billy Barrow, 2. Koerkle knocked out Jimmy Davenport, 1. Cleo Everett lost to Al Hoosman, 10. Jersey Joe Wolcott knocked out Steve Dudas, 5.

Tim Kelly outpointed Jimmy Nelson, 10. Roberto Lotario Ramirez drew with Nolan Sharp, 10. Nathan Mann knocked out Joe Sofia, 2. Pat Comiskey knocked out Dan Merritt, 3. Lee Savold knocked out Jim Williams, 3.

Lee Oma outpointed Earle Lowman, 10; outpointed Larry Lane, 10. Colion Chaney outpointed Eddie Taylor, 10. Watson Jones knocked out Al Jordan, 5. Abel Cestac knocked out Harold Blackshear, 1. Cestac knocked out by Newsboy Millich, 3.

Curtis Sheppard outpointed Perk Daniels, 12. Eddie Mader knocked out Jim Bowden, 4. Bowden knocked out Frank McCormick, 3. Johnny Haynes knocked out Bill Peterson, 1. Doug Ellison drew with Eddie Jackson, 8; outpointed Jack Hannan Porter, 6. Johnny Pretzie stopped Charley Lomski, 2. Lomski knocked out by Jerry Berthiaume, 2.

Charlie Roth outpointed Al Patterson, 10. Paul Jackson knocked out Wee Willie Williams, 6. Jackie Cranford outpointed Carrington McNutt, 8. Johnny Davis knocked out Jimmy DeLuca, 2. Davis knocked out by Al Hoosman, 4.

Joe Yorfino knocked out Frankie Reid, 2. Sal Russo knocked out Ray Goldman, 2. Jim Schwimmer knocked out Louis Galahad, 6. Frank Catola knocked out Jack Dumont, 3; knocked out Carl White, 1. Catola knocked out Johnny Harwood, 2.

Tommy McVey knocked out Connie Jeffrey, 3. Vince Tammara knocked out Billy Gilbert, 3; outpointed Eddie Keller, 4; lost to Eddie Keller, 4. Lucian Taliaferro knocked out Leroy Monroe, 1. Bill Carnegie knocked out Red Britton, 1.

Bobby Parsons knocked out Arthur Jeter, 3; knocked out Al Davis, 3. Gus Schlee knocked out Al Mitchell, 1; knocked out George Mitchell, 1; knocked out Al Jordan, 1. Dave Mason knocked out Billy Nitchy, 1.

Art Gregory outpointed Earl Eppinger, 6. Eppinger lost to Art McAlpine, 8. Eppinger knocked out by Frank Thomas, 5. Wee Willie Russell knocked out Lou Clark, 4. Johnny Melko knocked out Waddell Washington, 1. Marty Clark knocked out Jimmy Davenport, 2.

Ardis Mack outpointed Steve Ludman, 4; knocked out by Elliott Beckman, 3; lost to Casey O'Hara, 4. Tiger Sheppard knocked out Willie Johnson, 4; outpointed Willie Johnson, 6. Al Glassman knocked out Connie Jeffrey, 4. Glassman drew with Tony Gillo, 6. Gillo knocked out by Prentiss Hall, 1. Bob Arthur knocked out Johnny Alexander, 1.

Jimmy Brown knocked out Albin Small, 1. Wally Baden knocked out Joe Martin, 1. Martin kayoed Baden, 1. Sonny Boy Taylor outpointed Fred Ford, 4.

Larry Lovett lost to Johnny Allen, 6. Stanley Myka outpointed Dan Biggers, 6. Jack Conway outpointed Leroy Thompson, 4; lost disqualification to John Weatherford, 1. Weatherford knocked out Bob Beagley, 3. Weatherford knocked out Rees Collins, 2.

Sam Shumway outpointed Maurice Belanger, 6. Shumway knocked out by Bernard McNally, 2. Belanger knocked out by Steve Ketchel, 1. Ketchel knocked out William Bell, 1. Roughhouse Finney knocked out Roy Scully, 3.

"THE RING'S" RATINGS FOR THE MONTH

Ending November 15, 1945

Fighters who hitherto have been rated but are now in the armed forces and have become inactive, have been removed until such time as they resume boxing. When those removed are again active, they will receive the recognition previously granted to them. Only active fighters, service men and civilians, will be rated monthly. In our ratings the position of champions now in the service is frozen for the duration. Inactive service men are kept in the ratings for four months before being removed until they resume boxing.

Heavyweights (Over 175 pounds)	Light-Heavyweights (Not exceeding 175 pounds)	Middleweights (Not exceeding 160 pounds)	Welterweights (Not exceeding 147 pounds)
World's Champion Joe Louis	World's Champion Gus Lesnevich	World's Champion Tony Zale	World's Champion Freddie Cochrane
1—Billy Conn	Archie Moore	Holman Williams	Ray Robinson
2—Tami Mauriello	Phil Muscato	Charley Burley	Jimmy Doyle
3—Jimmy Bivins	Billy Grant	Jake LaMotta	Tippy Larkin
4—Elmer Ray	Lloyd Marshall	Rocky Graziano	Freddie Archer
5—Bruce Woodcock	Joe Kahut	Marcel Cerdan	Nick Moran
6—Lee Oma	Nate Bolden	Bee Bee Washington	Arthur Danahar
7—Freddie Schott	Jack Johnson	Aaron Wade	Johnny Greco
8—Arturo Godoy	Freddie Mills	Wildcat George Henry	Sammy Angott
9—Jersey Joe Wolcott	Billy Smith	Jimmy Edgar	Tony Janiro
10—Joe Baksi	Fitzie Fitzpatrick	Bert Lytell	Chuck Hunter

Lightweights (Not exceeding 135 pounds)	Featherweights (Not exceeding 126 pounds)	Bantamweights (Not exceeding 118 pounds)	Flyweights (Not exceeding 112 pounds)
World's Champion International title vacant	World's Champion Willie Pep	World's Champion Manuel Ortiz	World's Champion Jackie Paterson
1—Allie Stolz	Sal Bartolo (N.B.A. Champion)	Benny Goldberg	Seaman Terry Allen
2—Dave Castilloux	Chalky Wright	Tony Olivera	Bunty Doran
3—Willie Joyce	Phil Terranova	Luis Castillo	Joe Curran
4—Ike Williams (N.B.A. Champion)	Carlos Chavez	Simon Vergera	Ronty Monahan
5—Cpl. Bob Montgomery (Recognized by N.Y.)	Kid Zefine	Sammy Reynolds	Luis Galvani
6—Bobby Ruffin	Al Phillips	Norman Lewis	Alec Murphy
7—Ronnie James	Freddie Russo	Gus Foran	Hugh Cameron
8—Freddie Dawson	Jackie Graves	Ronnie Clayton	Tommy Burney
9—Bobby Yaeger	Jimmy Stubbs	Young Giant	George Parkes
10—Enrique Bolanos	Charley Riley	Cliff Anderson	Billy Clinton

Art Ramsey knocked out Steve Ketchel, 3. Jimmy Gardner lost to Verne Esco, 8. Henry Berntsen knocked out Johnny Willard, 2; knocked out Connie Jeffrey, 1. Vern Mitchell knocked out Herb Jones. Jones knocked out by McKinley English, 1. Jones lost to Albin Small, 4. Mel Sperry outpointed Willie Davis, 4. Davis lost to Mutt Schwartz, 8.

Jimmy Bell knocked out Al Blake, 6; knocked out Sam Shumway, 2. Noel Reid knocked out Walter Scott, 2. Scott knocked out by Tony Festa, 1. Scott knocked out by Mike Settino, 1. Jimmy Davis knocked out Wally Baden, 3.

Al Timmons drew with Harry Wills, 4. Willie Thompson outpointed J. W. White, 4. Jim Saxton outpointed Sgt. Hughes, 6. George Edwards outpointed Jimmy Wilson, 4. Wilson lost to Kent Roberts, 4.

Jimmy Howard knocked out Billy Mitchell, 1. Jimmy Coleman knocked out Ray Acosta, 4. Melvin Baker knocked out by Johnny Ebarb, 6; outpointed Joe Hudson, 4. Tiger Henning knocked out Tommy Purcell, 3. Bob Miller knocked out by Cliff Mann, 5.

Max Tawney drew with Jack Sharkey, 4. Dave Johnson knocked out Bill Carnegie, 5. Al Timmons outpointed Duncan Curry, 4.

Jersey Joe Wolcott won from Lee Q. Murray, 8. Jerry Berthiaume kayoed Ray Cobbs, 1. Johnny Melko and Jimmy Bell, drew, 6.

Here are the light-heavyweight bouts: Jack Johnson outpointed Fighting Shadrack, 10. Billy Fox knocked out Eddie Rossi, 1; knocked out James Polk, 2. Al Sheridan knocked out Tommy Charles, 3. Sheridan lost to Shed Bell, 10. Nate Bolden outpointed Bobby Zander, 10. Phil Muscato kayoed Johnny Dawson, 3.

Francis Ogg outpointed Leroy Bolden, 10. Walter Woods knocked out Coolidge Miller, 8. Bob Satterfield knocked out Charlie Polk, 2. Kenny James outpointed Tommy Woodward, 8.

Johnny Clark outpointed Charlie Jones, 8. Frank Zamoris outpointed James Polk, 8. Billy Grant knocked out Henry Jones, 6.

Silent Escobar knocked out Booker T. Washington, 5. Washington lost to Tommy Diehr, 4. Hank Postaway outpointed Jimmy Fields, 6. Mike Gagnon knocked out Mickey Holton, 2.

Ansel Green knocked out Stanley Hatch, 3; knocked out by Eddie Turner, 2. Danny Randall outpointed Jimmy Kayoe, 4. Allen Arnett knocked out Titus Hawkins, 1. Johnny Hubbard knocked out Bill McClure, 2. Joe O'Connell outpointed Nick Manfredo, 4.

Al Marson outpointed Ernie Woodman, 6. Chuck Ross outpointed Henderson Howard, 4. Mack Parshay knocked out Jimmy White, 3.

Henry Jackson knocked out Billy Heeps, 5. Johnny Ludlow outpointed Charley Moore, 4; outpointed Sol Russo, 4. Eddie Calecas knocked out Ed Dragon, 2. Douglas Rhone outpointed George Damianov, 6; outpointed Ben Russ, 6; lost to Joey Albanese, 6.

Big Ben Russ knocked out Hugh Murphy, 3; lost to William Dilworth, 4. Jimmy Long knocked out Nat Hines, 4. Long knocked out by Al Johnson, 4. Armond Olevano knocked out Joe Robinson, 4. Robinson lost to George Small, 4. Olevano outpointed Art Gregory, 8. Tommy Sullivan knocked out Johnny Melko, 6; knocked out Johnny Howard, 2.

Willard Rice outpointed Fred Gallagher, 4. Oscar Goode outpointed Johnny Davis, 6. Goode outpointed Jimmy Smith, 6. Smith kayoed Archie Coles, 3.

John Henry Eskew knocked out Roger Bison, 1. Larry Watson outpointed Bert Dowdell, 4. Henry Hall drew with Davey Clark, 10. Leon Szymurski knocked out Jimmy Clark, 1; knocked out Joe Robinson, 5.

Al King knocked out Bobby Giles, 1; knocked out Oscar Boyd, 1; lost to Billy Barrow, 8. Bobby Dare outpointed Stanley Edwards, 4. Al Spalding outpointed Doc Gladden, 4.

Lavelle Perkins drew with Rufus Knight, 4; knocked out Matt Thomas, 3. Knight knocked out Terry Taylor, 2. Jimmy Young outpointed Hank Pappas, 6; outpointed Hank Pappas, 6. Pappas lost to Dick Freely, 6. Erwin Kaye outpointed Red Morrison, 6. Walter Turner knocked out Alex Mitchell, 2. Lonnie Durrh knocked out Willie James, 3. Frank Fakety outpointed Merrill Campbell, 4.

Archie Moore knocked out O'Dell Riley, 6. Joe O'Connell stopped Jackie Wilkerson, 4. Bobby Berry knocked out Henry Jackson, 3.

Middleweight contests: Marcel Cerdan knocked out Tommy Davies, and Kid Janas, 1. Holman Williams outpointed Archie Moore, 10.

Kid Tunero drew with Gentle Daniel, 12. Zirdo del Higuamo knocked out Robert Aguilar, 1. Bill Callaghan outpointed Bill Standering, 8. Jack Kirkham outpointed Jackie Daniels, 15. Roy Miller drew with Frankie Augustain, 10.

Billy McLean outpointed Moss Lean, 10. Pat O'Connor outpointed Alec Woods, 10. Mark Hart outpointed Jimmy Hockley, 8. Hockley knocked out Paddy Roche, 2. Albert Finch outpointed Ted Barter, 6. Les Jones knocked out Jack Lewis, 7. Bert Hyland knocked out Johnny Boyd, 2. Jim Lydon outpointed Cyril Johnson, 6. Jimmy Dundee outpointed Jack Day, 12. Max Cameron won on foul from Ritchie Sands, 4. Albert Williams drew with Willie Smith, 10.

O'Neill Bell drew with Bill Parsons, 8; knocked out Bennie Droll, 7. Reedy Evans outpointed Johnny Carter, 10. Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini outpointed Patsy Spataro, 8.

Joe "Butch" Lynch outpointed Billy Johnson, 8.

Prospects of the Month

Heavyweight—Dave Mason, Cleveland, Ohio
Light-heavyweight — Bob Satterfield, Chicago, Ill.
Middleweight—Sgt. Howard Brodt, U. S. Marines
Welterweight—Wendy Wilson, Trinidad, B.W.I.
Lightweight—Joey Carkido, Youngstown, Ohio
Featherweight—Eddie Compo, New Haven, Conn.
Bantamweight—Little Giant, California
Flyweight—Matt Morelli, Minnesota

Juan Serrano outpointed Buster Carroll, 10. Tip Ramsey outpointed Bobby Berger, 10. Billy Walker outpointed Danny Martin, 8. Martin knocked out Larney Moore, 9. Vic Dellicurti outpointed Henry Chemel, 10.

Tiger Aaron Wade knocked out Vinnie Jones, 2. Jones knocked out Arthur Hardy, 2. Bee Bee Washington outpointed Ray Rovelli, 10. Louis Rousse knocked out Vincent LaSalva, 7; outpointed Andy Faison, 8.

Eddie Halligan outpointed Jimmy Allen, 8. Ruby Roberts outslugged Bob Winters, 6; outpointed Johnny Checko, 4.

Joe Blackwood knocked out Jackie Caparell, 9; knocked out Cyril Gettens, 6. Gettens outpointed Henry Wilson, 4. Caparell drew with Walter Duval, 8. Al Red Priest decisioned Wilfe Shanks, 10; knocked out Freddie Cabral, 5.

Billy Murray whipped Jack Carroll, 6. Panther Red belted out Red Hurst, 6. Dick Blackman stopped Edwin Johnson, 1. Deacon Johnny Brown outpointed Johnny Finazzo, 8.

Clarence Wilkinson outpointed Walter Cunningham, 6; knocked out Harry Gary, 4. Julie Cross outpointed Lew Perez, 4; but dropped the duke to Charlie Hilton, 4. Cross outpointed Charlie Hilton, 4. Perez outpointed Baudelio Valencia, 6. Perez outpointed by Willie Wright, 6. Cross knocked out by Jimmy McDonough, 3. Perez lost to Clarence Wilkinson, 6.

Ralph Dougherty knocked out by Johnny Harvey, 6. Jimmy Mandell outpointed Ralph Jackson, 6. Cliff Beckett knocked out Warren Jones, 1.

Gene Johnson outpointed Tony Kahut, 4. Johnny Ditto and William Cummings, no contest, 3. Ditto outpointed William Cummings, 6. Ditto lost to Ralph Burnley, 6.

Harry Daniels outpointed Albin Buczek, 4; lost to Bobby Dare, 4; lost to Bob Amos, 4. Ray Spurlock outpointed Roland Taylor, 6; outpointed Willie Johnson, 6. Taylor knocked out by Charley Padalino, 5. Padalino outpointed Jack Hill, 6. Padalino knocked out Eddie Steele, 5. Buddy Rose knocked out Bob Austin, 5.

Al King knocked out Bobby Giles, 1; knocked out Henry Johnson, 1. Jesse Ray outpointed Bob Flannigan, 6. Les Aterbridge kayoed Ernie Jones, 2, (twice). Jones stopped Al Slocum, 1. Jones lost to Jim Stone, 1. Jones outpointed Herman Bounds, 4. Stone knocked out by Ray Raymond, 4. Gilbert Whiteside won from Willie Collins, 4; drew with Roman Starr, 6.

Clarence Wolcott stopped Louis Mosely, 3. Al Single won from Mosely, 4. Henry Rich kayoed Bilbo Smith, 2; lost to Cleve Kelly, 4. Jimmy Davis outpointed Johnny Smith, 6. Tony Petro outpointed Pete Watson, 4. Bobby Silva knocked out Jimmy Simmons, 2; outpointed Tony Petro, 4; outpointed Tony Petro, 6; outpointed Tony Petro, 4. Simmons knocked out by Duane Everett, 3. Everett drew with Buster Peaks, 6.

Nate Smith outpointed LeRoy Green, 6; outpointed Roy Crews, 4. Bobby Hicks knocked out Johnny Lupo, 6; knocked out Mike Lucas, 3; lost to Bob Flannigan, 8. Mickey Doyle outpointed Jim Turner, 6; knocked out Johnny Eagle, 6.

Mario Ochoa outpointed Billy Thompson, 6; outpointed Reedy Evans, 10. Bob Ryan outpointed Johnny Checko, 4; knocked out Jimmie Dunn, 2. Art Robinson knocked out Tony Prizoso, 5. Ernie Stevenson knocked out Ted Newsome, 3.

Joe Robinson knocked out Ruby Roberts, 4. Al Calgut outpointed Johnny Harvey, 6. Harvey outpointed Tony Marchand, 6. Tony Del Gatto outpointed Freddie Lott, 6.

Don Anderson outpointed Bobby Holt, 6; drew with Fred Latt, 6; outpointed Bobby Holt, 6. Sgt. Howard Brodt outpointed Andy Faison, 6. Arthur Hardy outpointed Billy Adams, 6.

Charley Sardo knocked out Billy Campanale, 5. Henry Anderson outpointed by Bobby Jones, 4. Mickey Colton knocked out Jimmy Kayoe, 2; knocked out by Paul Collicci, 2.

Billy Hagen outpointed George Sparry, 4; knocked out Willie Hutchins, 1. Joe Hartfield knocked out L'il Abner, 3. Tommy Baker knocked out Ray Harmon, 1; outpointed Al Hallie, 6. Jimmy McGriff knocked out Ben Davis, 1. Ernie Knapps knocked out Al Carson, 3. Carson knocked out by Willard Buckless, 1.

Mark Lockman (Kid Chicken) outpointed Mike Shannon, 6; outpointed Harold Smith, 10. Shannon knocked out Georgie Humes, 3. Augie Fleischauer outpointed Ernest Barnwell, 6. Dave Carver knocked out Joe Popeski, 4.

Jimmy McDonough knocked out Julie Cross, 3; outpointed Benny Davis, 6. Nick Melli outpointed Charley Howard, 4. Melli lost to Charley Howard, 6. Melli knocked out Frankie Keither, 2.

Tommy Charles outpointed Jerry Pittro, 6. Pittro knocked out Jimmy Wilson, 3. Wilson drew with Mel Workman, 4.

Willie Woods outpointed Kid Barkley, 4; lost to Paul Darby, 4. Darby knocked out Joe Jackson, 2. Perry Mason knocked out Billy McGuire, 3. Larry Gudgill outpointed Corp. Frank Rand, 5; outpointed Pedro Carsonia, 5. Billy Evans outpointed George Segura, 4.

Billy Hildebrand outpointed Vic Chambers, 6. Chambers knocked out by Solly Zalter, 1. Zalter outpointed Johnny Harvey, 6. Willie Johnson knocked out Jack Hill, 2. Tony Martin outpointed Bennie Droll, 8. Droll whipped Bill McDowell, 10. Martin knocked out Luther Brent, 5. McDowell outpointed Julio Cerna, 10.

Benny Davis outpointed Paulie Mann, 4; outpointed Anthony Ahern, 6; outpointed Johnny King, 4. King drew with Jim Kennedy, 6. King outpointed Charley Howard, 4. Davis outpointed Lou Denton, 4. Davis lost to Sam Barodi, 6. Cooper White knocked out Billy Hardaway, 2; knocked out Maurice Cloutier, 2.

Booker Ellis knocked out Johnny Treadwell, 2. Ellis knocked out by Speedy Cannon, 4. Leroy Scales knocked out George Sapolich, 4. Sapolich outpointed Henry Jackson, 6. Scales knocked out Tom Pate, 3. Sapolich lost to Billy Heeps, 6; knocked out Ernie Stevenson, 3. Sapolich lost to Speedy Williams, 8.

Carmen Sipello knocked out Abe Thomas, 6; outpointed George Slater, 6. Walker Coombs knocked out Bobby Hicks, 4; outpointed Al Carson, 4. Johnny Smith outpointed Leon Kennedy, 4; outpointed Lew Perez, 6. Smith outpointed by Larry Fontana, 8. Jay Paganelli outpointed Jimmy Davis, 6. Paganelli outpointed Lee Black, 6; outpointed Chubby Wright, 6.

Vepe Watson and Henry Christian, no contest, 2. Chick Musgrove knocked out Young Salvador, 4. Bob Murphy knocked out Louis Mosely, 1; knocked out by Homer McGrew, 2. Mosely knocked out by Bill Peterson, 2. McGrew outpointed Jimmy Richards, 4.

Al Wright knocked out Willie Collins, 2. Stanley Derr knocked out Jim Tate, 1. Mickey McPherson knocked out Harry James, 2.

Jimmy Hill knocked out Billy Goodman, 6. Bill Hildebrand outpointed Fernand Demers, 6. Clem Fitzpatrick knocked out Leroy Moungle, 2; knocked out Frank Kovacs, 6. George Small outpointed Charley Hilton, 4; knocked out Carl Holden, 3. Bob Franklin knocked out by Carman DeJohn, 1.

Walter Ferguson lost to George Kaplan, 4. Ferguson knocked out Daly Curtis, 2. Freddy Sammons knocked out Sam Justina, 6. North Carolina Kid knocked out Rufus Cummings, 2.

Booker T. Washington knocked out by Langford Green, 2. Pat Saia knocked out Wayne Armstrong, 6. Paul Collicci knocked out Manny Cabral, 2. Billy Horne knocked out Walt Schofield, 1.

Mickey Savage knocked out John Clemmons, 1. Mike McKessick outpointed Frank Rand, 6. Edgar Robinson outpointed Frankie Calzo, 6; lost to Charley Catos, 6.

Mutt Schwartz knocked out Chuck Moore, 6. Jimmy Wilson knocked out Rocky Liberto, 3. Louis Hardman knocked out Jackie Young, 2. Buzz Brown outpointed Jimmy Lowery, 6. Ben Johnson knocked out Julio Cerna Rodriquez, 4. Herbert Lane knocked out Willie Tucker, 4.

Rocky Luciano knocked out Peter Wheatstraw, 3. Charley Padalino outpointed Bob Millsap, 6. Billy Jackson knocked out Jack Thompson, 1. Vepe Watson outpointed Henry Paz, 4. Billy Cordova knocked out Leon Lewis, 1. Jimmy Petersen outpointed Dave Gotch, 4. Roy Crews outpointed Tommy Green, 4.

Kid Tunero drew with Gentle Daniel, 12. Marcus (Kid Chicken) Lockman outpointed Saint Paul, 10. Al (Red) Priest knocked out John Henry Eskew, 7. Jimmy McDonough beat Ralph Dougherty, 6. Billy Walker kayoed Art Robinson, 2. Bobby Lalonde stopped Chuck Lloyd, 3. Eddie Soares knocked out Joe Albanese, 4.

Welterweights fared as follows: Tony Janiro beat Al Guido, 8; lost to Johnny Greco, 8. Arthur Danaher outpointed Gwyn Williams, 8; outpointed Jimmy Moore, 8. Henry Hall knocked out Bob Moorcroft, 6. Omar Kouidri knocked out Harry Davis, 3. George Dilks knocked out Jock Gibbons, 2.

Jimmy McDaniels halted Johnny Jones, 6. Jimmy Molloy knocked out Dick Shields, 7. Mick Gibbons knocked out Jack Humphreys, 5.

Freddie Archer outpointed Baby Al Brown, 10; outpointed Fritzie Zivic, 10. Tito Despaigne outpointed Manolo Sanchez, 10. Chester Slider drew with Paulie Peters, 10.

Tommy Egan knocked out Ross Romero, 9. Jimmy Doyle beat Oscar Suggs, 3. Ralph Zannelli knocked out Neva Esparza, 4; lost to Billy Arnold, 10. John Thomas knocked out Rene DeLeon, 7. Sammy Angott outpointed Danny Kapilow, 10. Jackie Wilson knocked out Frankie Terry, 5.

Jiggs Donahue knocked out Alex Doyle, 6; outpointed Larney Moore, 8. Kid Azteca outpointed Artie Dorrell, 10; knocked out Baby Zavala, 9. Bob Simmons knocked out Pancho Vellijo, 3; outpointed Gene Gudgill, 10. Gudgill outpointed Sparky Reynolds, 6.

Jimmy Pierce outpointed Sammy Mammone, 10. Baby Simms outpointed Vic Costa, 10. Lou Woods outpointed Coolidge Miller, 8.

Art Brown outpointed Robert Fowler, 8. Frankie

Abrams outpointed Bill Grier, 8. Billy Moore outpointed Manny Gomez, 8. Gomez knocked out by Al Velez, 1. Gomez knocked out Jimmy Gresham, 4. Regino Aguila knocked out Auriel Coutoure, 3. Earl Turner knocked out Johnny Taylor, 5. Lavern Roach knocked out Hugh Stell, 2. Baudelio Valencia, 4. Stell outpointed Cooper White, 6.

Freddie Camuso outpointed Ernie Robinson, 10. Lennox Dingle drew with Freddy Sammons, 8. Paul Altman knocked out Aldo Spoldi; knocked out by Tony Elizondo, 1; knocked out Chino Rodriguez, 5. Len Houston knocked out Al Prescod, 10. Lloyd Tyndall knocked out Black Dynamite, 3. Black Dynamite outpointed Nick Farley, 6.

Morris Reif knocked out Johnny Rinaldi, 1. Bill Pascoe outpointed Geoff Patterson, 4. Alby Price outpointed Young McGee, 4. Major Jones outpointed Louis Flyer, 8. Tommy Hunter knocked out Les Hardy. Ray Dunn knocked out Merv Willis, 2. Sammy Andragna outpointed Art Robinson, 10; outpointed Bobby Maloney, 6. Berry Wright outpointed Robert Fowler, 10. Fowler drew with Sam Thompson, 6. Fowler outpointed Mike Sopko, 8. Danny Williams outpointed Bernie Miller, 10.

Johnny Forte outpointed Oscar Lewis, 8; knocked out Sammy Mammone, 2. Charley Fusari knocked out Victor Moreno, 7. Don Lee knocked out Lou Dundee, 6. Lee drew with Billy Deeg, 10. Billy Morris outpointed Rudy Richardson, 8. Phil Palmer outpointed Joe Peralta, 8. Peralta outpointed Bobby Cummings, 10.

Joe Curcio outpointed Johnny Ryan, 10; outpointed Sal Richie, 9. Ryan decisioned Ernie "Cat" Robinson, 8. Cecil Hudson outpointed Sheik Rangel, 10. Neva Esparza outpointed Patsy Spataro, 10. Spataro outpointed by Maxie Berger, 8; and lost to Lenny Boom Boom Mancini, 8. Johnny Walker knocked out George Doty, 5. Doty lost to Tony Riccio, 10 and stopped Al La Barba, 5. Jimmy Scouten knocked out Walter Holtzman, 2; lost to Fritz Moore, 4. Pedro Jiminez knocked out Henry Anderson, 8; lost to Al Botano, 10. Botano outpointed Billy Harrison, 6. Harrison knocked out by Bob Farris, 8.

Maurice Puzzio beat Tony Jackson, 4. Russ Long won from Paul Lassiter, 4; lost to Al Singleton, 4; lost to Rudy Turner, 4. Singleton outpointed Louis Mosely, 4. Singleton outpointed Ozzie Lewis, 4. Ralph Mendoza won from Johnny Meadows, 4. Al Mobley outboxed Johnny Ricco, 6; outpointed Willie Odom, 6. Bobby Zollo stopped Steve Riggio, 4; knocked out Kenny James, 2; outpointed Leon Kennedy, 10. Billy Christian outpointed Paul Guerrero, 4. Guerrero knocked out Johnny Ortega, 3.

Roger Muriel knocked out Al Pecora, 1; outpointed Billy Evans, 4. Al Costantino outpointed Buddy Jackson, 6; knocked out Earl Wentz, 3. Peter Wheatstraw drew with Rudy Campa, 6. Joe LaMotta knocked out Larney Moore, 5; and Indian Gomez in 2. Jimmy Parks outpointed Harold Alle, 4; outpointed Tony Bertucci, 4.

Ralph Garrison drew with Ford Vigor, 4. Don Fitzgerald drew with Al Bourgeois, 4. Larry Ray outpointed Charley Weldon, 6.

Bobby Pryor knocked out Dick Czerniak, 1; knocked out Mario Ferrio, 1; knocked out Milt Varos, 3; knocked out by Tommy James, 4. Eddie Gettys outpointed Pat Saia, 8. Art Bethea outpointed Art Brown, 4. Bee Zee Washington outpointed Emmett Harris, 4. Harris knocked out Eddie Lyles, 1. Henry Johnson outpointed Oscar Boyd, 6; knocked out Hugh Stell, 3. Al Silverman knocked out Harry Gorin, 2; outpointed Tim Renick, 6.

Floyd Hagan knocked out Pete Romero, 1; outpointed Lloyd Wagoner, 4. Freddie Barr knocked out Tommy Colton, 1. Carter Holmes knocked out Tommy Marlowe, 6; knocked out by Johnny Priest, 5. Enrique Lopez stopped Frank Foley, 4; lost to Al LaBarba, 6. LaBarba outpointed Leon Kennedy, 6. Art Ross drew with Paul White, 4; drew with Paul White, 6.

Young Chappie knocked out George McKinney, 4; knocked out Tony Trophi, 6. Ernie Guisti knocked out Leo Gagne, 1; outpointed Archie Gibbons, 6; outpointed Archie Gibbons, 8; outpointed Jeff Holloway, 8. Gagne lost to Harold Christensen, 6. Milton Lattimore knocked out Baby Alvarez, 2; knocked out Jimmy Sax, 2.

Freddie Patterson outpointed Len Taglia, 6; knocked out Frankie Daniels, 4; outpointed Buddy Jackson, 6; outpointed Tony DeRosa, 6. Al Safas outpointed Kid Berger, 4. Paul Ferguson knocked out Bob Spann, 1. Dick Wagner outpointed Howard Mendenhall, 4. Raymond Alfonso knocked out Young Eddie, 3.

Frankie Les outpointed Schede Wynn, 4; outpointed Earl Dodson, 4; lost to Edgar Poe, 4. Terry Moore knocked out Tony Argo, 3.

Kenute Smith outpointed by Lou Mosher, 4. Jackie Ryan knocked out Lincoln Stanley, 3. Melvin Wade outpointed Kid Grant, 4. Jess Flores outpointed Melvin Bartholomew, 6.

Jackie Connors knocked out Pete Martin, 4. Billy Nappier knocked out Sal Lupo, 5. Lupo knocked out by Bob Haley, 3. Kenny James knocked out Basil Mazerak, 3.

Al Seidman knocked out Charlie Sabatelle, 1; knocked out Alex Doyle, 2. Ray Harmon knocked out Tommy Baker, 3. Harmon knocked out Sal Lupo, 3.

Aster Rice knocked out Ted Turner, 2; outpointed George McKinney, 4. Mickey Belletiere knocked out Cleno Rossew, 1; outpointed Charley Hilton, 6. Gene Boulden outpointed Freddie Graham, 8. Dolly King knocked out Ralph Darosa, 3; lost to Tommy Sloan, 6.

Ottie Graham knocked out Frankie Conn, 1; knocked out Henry McNeil, 1. McNeil knocked out by McCoy Jones, 2. DeWitt Dee knocked out Eddie Owens, 4. Del Bryant knocked out Paulie Wilson, 2; lost to Bruce Richardson, 4. Bryant knocked out Chippy Mittri, 1. Billy Ellison outpointed Al Pecora, 4.

Bob Boucher knocked out Steve Bilko, 2; drew with Charley Howard, 4; knocked out Charley Howard, 2. George Smith outpointed Freddie Patterson, 6; outpointed Freddie Patterson, 6. Nat Hutchins outpointed Jerry Heimowitz, 4. Heimowitz drew with Morris Elliott, 4.

Mickey O'Brien knocked out Babe Querion, 1; knocked out Tommy Lawless, 1. O'Brien lost to Bob Pooler, 4. Lawless knocked out by Bill Bernier, 3. Rocco Rossano outpointed Walter Stanbach, 6. Pat Murray drew with Tony Ryles, 6.

Jimmy Carroll outpointed Pete Ferrand, 4. Mansfield Driskell knocked out Tony Reno, 3. Allen Faulkner knocked out Sparky Reynolds, 2. Reynolds lost to Johnny Abbott, 6. Abbott lost to Bobby Collins, 6. Faulkner knocked out Vic Belanger, 1.

Eddie Soares knocked out Mickey Colton, 1; knocked out Ray Harmon, 1; outpointed Bob Flannigan, 6; knocked out Ernie Kapps, 2. Charley Hilton knocked out George Slater, 5. Harry Preston knocked out Lew Phillips, 1; knocked out Jesse Lang, 4.

Whalen Douglas knocked out Billy Alvarez, 2. Alvarez knocked out by Patsy Gall, 6. Douglas knocked out Tommy Sloan, 4. Young Corbett IV outpointed Luther Johnson, 4; drew with Al Rivers, 4. Rivers lost to Eddie Mahoney, 4. Leroy Sanders knocked out Chuck Moore, 1.

Mayhew Smith knocked out Jimmy Anest, 4. Wendy Wilson outpointed Jerry Wright, 6; outpointed Whalen Douglas, 6. George Hill knocked out Pat Patucci, 4. Eddie Durando knocked out Joe Krolji, 1.

Fugio Escabedo knocked out Johnny Meadows, 3. Willie Jenkins knocked out Danny DeAngelo, 2; knocked out Andy Burton, 2. Teddy Agapoiu knocked out Al Gray, 2; lost to Johnny Greenlack, 4. Al Tucker outpointed Bob Davis, 4.

Johnny Ousky outpointed Sammy Mack, 6. Vic Berlanger knocked out Rudy Franklin, 4. James Thurman outpointed Ray Laurie, 4; knocked out Morris Elliott, 4. Bobby Holt knocked out Johnny Brenner, 6. Charley Howard knocked out by Tony Vero, 2. Tony Bertucci outpointed Miguel Arroya, 4.

Al Williams knocked out Karl East, 2. Willie Russell knocked out Ralph Walton, 4. Howard Umbels knocked out Ziggie Minnie, 2. Jimmy Grimes knocked out Edsel Martz, 2.

Lou Fortuna outpointed Annunzio Ferrera, 8. Vert Gibson knocked out Johnny Tabbs, 3. Howard Boyd knocked out Oliver Spurlock, 1. Frankie Ross outpointed Ceferino Bronco, 8. Tony Vero knocked out Miguel Arroya, 1. Johnny Wilson knocked out Joey Rogers, 3. Charlie Beltram knocked out Danny Gonzales, 3.

Dave Bruce outpointed Benton Cobbins, 6. Charlie Millen outpointed Norville Gaddis, 6; outpointed Oscar Wright, 8. Al Bourgeois outpointed Lloyd Rolph, 6. Art Dehlinger outpointed Loy Keyes, 4. Gene Boland knocked out John Clemens, 2.

Pete Leno outpointed Carl Janke, 6. Janke outpointed Johnny O'Hara, 4. Leno drew with Jimmy Martin, 5. Leonard Tate outpointed Charlie Howley, 6. Lou Valles knocked out Verne Patterson, 3. Boykin Bourgeois outpointed Harold Alle, 4.

Earl Crater drew with Ray Mack, 3. Jack Hollis outpointed Tommy Ciascuti, 3. James Kelly knocked out Harold Bowen, 3. Pfc. Al Deacon outpointed James Kiggans, 4.

Ray Miller outpointed Gus Olson, 6. Al LaBarba stopped by George "Red" Doty, 5. Willie Odom outpointed Jerry Heimowitz, 4; knocked out Ray Parker, 4.

Maurice Lavigne outpointed Gordon Mackie, 6. Sparky Reynolds outpointed Dave Riley, 8. Willie Wright knocked out by Joey Haddad, 1.

Vincent Mazac knocked out Reuben Guerra, 2. Wallace Bates outpointed Raymond Walker, 4. Oliver Hamm outpointed Marcelina da la Rosa, 6. Hamm drew with Nash Ortiz, 6. Hamm knocked out by Joe Passante, 2. Don Keck knocked out by Ignacio Ortiz, 2. Keck knocked out Jesse Gomez, 2. Alphonse Brown knocked out S. B. Daniel, 4. Brown knocked out Euard Baloney, 1. Brown outpointed Raymond Walker, 6.

Norman Rahn outpointed Sonny King, 6. Young Gagnon knocked out Lucky Griffith, 1.

Bennie Evans outpointed Wild Bill McDowell, 10. Willie Russell knocked out Tiger Jackson, 1. Ray Miller outpointed Billy Gilliam, 6. Paul Guerrero outpointed Billy Christian, 4. Don Fitzgerald outpointed Art Dehlinger, 6. Bobby Volk knocked out Jimmy Davis, 3. Lee Hunt drew with Buddy Hoffman, 4. Milo Savage outpointed Dick Wagner, 4. George Hairston drew with Kid Williams, 4. Buddy Ennis outpointed Jimmy Stewart, in 4.

Chuck Hunter whipped Ruben Shank, 10. Eddie Kane stopped Edgar Poe, 2. Tony Riccio walloped Jiggs Donahue, 10. Al Tunney drew with Gunner Brathwaite, 10. Bob Summers decisioned Tony Argo, 4. Bill Parson knocked out Harvey Dubs, 2. Rocky Sullivan whipped Eddie Reardon, 4. Redcap Cooper polished off Chickie Jones, 4. Patsy Call and Billy Alvarez, drew, 8. Bobby Pryor knocked out Dolly King, 2. Johnny Parker outscored Tommy Baker, 4. Melvin Wade stopped Jimmy Davis, 3.

Lightweight contests: Willie Joyce was held to a surprise draw by Joey Barnum, 10. Les Fuller outpointed Leo Heaney, 12. Jimmy Hill outpointed Jim Pickering, 10. Bert Osborne knocked out Ray Kay, 7. Young Stenner knocked out Norm Peers, 1. George Pitt outpointed Harry Thompson, 6. Larry Cisneros beat Matt Oglesby, 10.

Battling Hai outpointed Bob Ramsey, 10. Jimmy Sale outpointed Len Davies, 8. Stan Hawthorn outpointed Mick Gibbons, 8. Billy Taylor outpointed Doug Fury, 8. Billy Biddles knocked out Johnny Price, 1. Alf Stewart knocked out Norman James, 3. Tommy Barnham outpointed Dennis Chadwick, 6.

Candy McDaniels decisioned Ace Miller, 10. Enrique Bolanos knocked out Humberto Sierra, 1. Gene Burton outpointed Doll Rafferty, 10.

Wesley Mouzon knocked out Dorsey Lay, 8; outpointed Eddie Giosa, 8. Patsy Giovanelli outpointed Jackie Leamus, 8. Kid Barquerito knocked out Pedro Poey, 9.

Kid Bururu drew with Carlos Malacara, 10. Duncan Blair knocked out Jonathan Kenedy, 4. Santiago Sosa outpointed Oriental Bon Bon, 10. Billy James knocked out Eddie Salazar, 7.

Al Stock outpointed Archie Rash, 12. P/O Scott drew with Jackie Jobson, 8. Chuey Figueroa outpointed Lou Bernal, 10.

Cleo Shans outpointed Tony Pellone, 8. Shans lost to Humberto Zavala, 10. Shans drew with and lost to Johnny Bratton, 10.

Tony Chavez knocked out Vic Young, 5; outpointed Walter (Cabey) Lewis, 10. Nick Stato outpointed Paulie Jackson, 8. Johnny Cool outpointed Ernie Cabral, 10; knocked out Tuck Monroe, 3; knocked out John Bartelino, 1; kayoed by Spider Armstrong, 4.

Joey Angelo outpointed Charley "Cabey" Lewis, 10. Frankie Palermo outpointed Joe Griffo, 4; outpointed Willie Marcus, 4; outpointed Oscar Lewis, 6. Pat Kelly outpointed Roy Kelly, 4.

Eddie Smith knocked out Fred Bernard, 4; Bernard outpointed Nick Primiani, 6. Blond Baggett outpointed Bill Carson, 4; knocked out Jesus Pintado. Fidel Rivera and Marcel Fournier drew, in 8.

Jimmy Woods outpointed Tiger Willis, 10. Willis knocked out Johnny Goode, 2. Fidel Rivera outpointed Bulldog Camagueyano, 10; lost to Eddie Bertolino, 8; lost to Johnny Suarez, 10. Camagueyano knocked out Al Michaud, 7. Michaud outpointed Clyde Gordon, 6. Michaud outpointed Al Reid, 8.

Clarence (King) Cotton knocked out Joe Torres, 4. Torres outpointed Red Bryant, 6. Torres knocked out Jackie Savino, 2. Pat Foley outpointed Steve Kronis, 10. Kronis outpointed Harold Gibson, 10. Kronis and Lou Alter drew, 8.

Billy Miller outpointed Artie Bowen, 10. Joe Celetti drew with Tommy Daniels, 10; outpointed Floriant Desmarais, 10. Daniels outpointed Ellsworth Simley, 4. Desmarais outpointed Allie Wolf, 10. Daniels outpointed George Baltieri, 4. Celetti outpointed Billy Zaduck, 8.

Red Roden stopped Billy Mitchell, 2. Joe Gibson beat Teddy Guerrero, 4. Oscar St. Pierre decisioned Steve Bellus, 8; outpointed Steve Bellus, 8. St. Pierre lost to Pat Demers, 10. Bellus lost to Joe Gillis, 6. Bellus lost to Pat Doyle, 8. Roscoe Scally beat Chino Carvajal, 6.

Bobby English decisioned Joe Montiero, 6. Ellis Phillips knocked out Gus Mell, 3. Mell decisioned Maxie Shapiro, 10. Gene Spencer knocked out Ernie Petrone, 5; knocked out Jimmy Martin, 2. Spencer lost to Bill Eddy, 10.

Santa Bucca outpointed Hubert Samuels, 10; outpointed Georgie Larover, 8. Al Gomez knocked out Bob McQuillan, 6. Jimmy Joyce outpointed Andy Cieslak, 10; lost to Al Gomez, 8.

Dom Amoroso outpointed Frankie Leta, 8. Dennis Pat Brady knocked out Mario Colon, 6. Al Reid outpointed Young Agard. Cal Robinson knocked out Ernie Lopez, 4.

Tommy Rotolo knocked out Jimmy Carroll, 3; drew with Baby Al Brown, 10. Eddie Lander drew with Freddie Taylor, 8. Frankie Moore knocked out Mike Delia, 2. Jimmy Mitchell knocked out Donald Neal, 3. Pedro Firpo outpointed Lew Hanbury, 10; outpointed Eddie Hudson, 6. Hudson drew with Alejandro Vega, 10.

Larry Moreland knocked out Jose Monterubio, 1. Chuck Lloyd knocked out Chico Mars, 1. Shamus McCrea drew with Willie Bowen, 4; lost to Wilford Scott, 4.

Tony Foto drew with Joe Disoso, 4. Mario Averillo outpointed Harry Parisi, 4. Mickey Craven drew with Alby Price, 4.

Young Gugga outpointed Rusty York, 4. Mickey Walker outpointed Frank Warren, 6. Johnny Shields outpointed Red Tozer, 12. Eddie Brant knocked out Sal Sanchez, 2.

Lee Abrams drew with Joe Polowitzer, 6. Abrams outpointed Oscar Lewis, 6. Polowitzer outpointed Jimmy Rodgers, 6. Polowitzer lost to Torpedo Reed, 6. Freddie Farr knocked out Tommy Colton, 1. Farr knocked out by Tommy Colton, 1.

Ray Reed outpointed George Gordon, 4. Art Arragon outpointed Al Chavez, 6.

Eddie Murphy outpointed Nick Primiani, 6. Primiani outpointed Julian Malavez, 6. Primiani outpointed Ray Parker, 6. Malavez drew with Bobby Gunther, 6. Murphy knocked out Freddie Yeager, 1. Primiani outpointed Orlando Ferrara, 4. Freddie Yeager knocked out Leroy Saunders, 2; knocked out Johnny Gebert, 3.

Jose Fernandez drew with Pedro Bresca, 6; knocked out by Ernie Butler, 3. Bresca outpointed Joe Robleto, 6. Bresca lost to Juan Carrero, 6. Jimmy Corti outpointed Jerry Mazza, 4. Mazza outpointed Dominic Sasso, 4. James Stevens outpointed Joe Marmo, 4. Marmo outpointed George Sotcheff, 4. Stevens knocked out George Holmes, 2.

Jimmy Cogman knocked out Tony Ferrar, 3; but was belted out by Patsy Franco, 4. Franco knocked out Ray Parker, 2. Cogman knocked out Frank Tabor, 2. Joey Carkido put the snore on Lou Prince, 4. Prince outpointed Lou Silvers, 4. Carkido knocked out Jimmy Cogman, 3. Patsy Zoccano outpointed Steve D'Apoli, 6; outpointed Eddie Dowl, 8. Zoccano lost to Ernie Guisti, 6. Dowl outpointed by Ruby Kessler, 8. Zoccano outpointed Fred Bernard, 4. Zoccano outpointed Julian Malavez, 4.

Ray Parker outpointed George Baltieri, 4; knocked out Morris Elliott, 3. Elliott outpointed Larry Cook, 4. Morris Kapp knocked out Joe Pill, 2; outpointed Carter Holmes, 6. Eddie Reardon drew with Young Corenti, 4. Corenti knocked out Ray Allison, 1. Reardon lost to Rocky Sullivan, 4. Corenti knocked out by Teddy Swain, 1.

Billy Smith outpointed Carter Holmes, 6; knocked out by Chuck Jackson, 4. Johnny Parvia knocked out Ray Allison, 6. Parvia knocked out by Ray Harmon, 3. Parvia outpointed Sammy Martin, 4. Parvia outpointed Al Hallie, 6. Pat Smith knocked out Johnny Serruth, 4; outpointed Carl Olsen, 4. Pete Mirabella outpointed Joe Kosky, 6. Kosky outpointed Jackie Allen, 6.

Henry Hosch drew with Joe Thayer, 5; drew with Charley Pavoni, 5. Thayer drew with George Taix, 4. Taix outpointed Charley Pavoni, 4. Tony Vero knocked out Miguel Arroya, 2. Mario Ferrio outpointed Johnny Vorce, 6.

Johnny Lovett outpointed Duke Harris, 6. Harris outpointed Rafael Sanchez, 6. Joe Nuccio outpointed Juan Carrero, 6. Carrero outpointed Pedro Biesca, 6; outpointed Jerry Darby, 6. Leon Jones knocked out Billy Steel, 2.

Al Medrano outpointed Georgie Hansford, 6. Roy Lewis outpointed Jimmy Martin, 5; outpointed Jimmy Woods, 8. Lewis knocked out by Talmadge Bussey, 2. Lewis outpointed Rudy Zidell, 6. Bussey knocked out Fist Deaver, 2. Lewis outpointed Whitman Buress, 6. Young Alvarez outpointed Bob Rodriquez, 4.

LeRoy Willis (California) outpointed Pete Romero, 4. Nathaniel Huskey outpointed Al Salas, 4; knocked out Al Salas, 3; outpointed Luther Johnson, 4; outpointed Boykin Bourgeois, 4; outpointed Al Garcia, 4; outpointed Boykin Bourgeois, 4; outpointed Joe Gibson, 6. Al Foster outpointed Don Brooks, 4.

Vince Carty knocked out Young Delaney, 1; knocked out Charley Wooster, 1. Dave Andrews knocked out Ernie Cabral, 3; outpointed Jeff Holloway, 10. John Chapman knocked out Poppy Gonzales, 3.

Ellsworth Simley outpointed Jimmy Cagni, 4. Cagni knocked out Bobby Kirk, 2. Bill Richardson outpointed Edgar Poe, 4. Richardson lost to Bobby Lee, 6. Al Smith knocked out Ray Allison, 2; knocked out Johnny Parvia, 1; outpointed Blond Tiger, 6. Ray Brouillard knocked out Johnny Parvia, 2.

Tiger Harris knocked out Eddie Reeves, 5. Walter Gomes outpointed Frankie Perry, 6. Young Eddy outpointed Young Goldie, 4.

Lee Garrett knocked out John Chapman, 4; outpointed Oscar Williams, 8. Rudy Zidell outpointed Ray Miller, 6; outpointed Billy Shelton. Pedro Sanchez knocked out Jimmy Cagni, 4. Jerry Darby knocked out Joey Gatto, 2. Darby knocked out by Mike Konnors, 10.

Ray Jackson outpointed Jimmy Knight, 6; knocked out Johnny Strange, 1. Raymond Glenn knocked out Clem Markel, 1; lost to Luther Burgess, 4. Bobby McQuillan won on disqualification from Vic Corchado, 7. Sid Haber outpointed Patsy Zoccano, 6. Charley Wooster outpointed Eddie Berry, 6. Al Wooster knocked out Eddie George, in 2.

Benny Delgado outpointed Bob Canova, 4; outpointed Louis Tavares, 4. Richard Schiavone knocked out Johnny Pitts, 1. Pitts lost to Joe Fratt, 4. Pitts outpointed by Don Zito, 4. Johnny Cesario knocked out Joey Gambaro, 1.

Johnny Priest knocked out Carter Holmes, 5; outpointed Pedro Carvelho, 8. Tommy Manti knocked out Lou Suliveres, 4. Sonny Hill outpointed Bill Hayman, 4.

Carey Mace knocked out Ray MacArthur, 4. Al Victoria outpointed Rocco Rossano, 6. Billy Terry drew with Al Highers, 6. Jackie McCoy knocked out Tony Jackson, 4. Jimmy Mieles knocked out Wendell Redmond, 1.

Bob Pooler outpointed Ted Kid Roy, 6; outpointed Mickey O'Brien, 4. Jimmy Saunders knocked out Pat O'Hara, 1. Freddie Polowitzer knocked out Joey Wasnick, 6; knocked out Joe DeMario, 4; knocked out Pat Corenti, 4.

Don Goulette knocked out Johnny Bats, 3; knocked out Bernie Devine, 2. Willard Coffey outpointed Joe Nelson, 4. Eddie Moran knocked out Billy Murray, 1. Moran knocked out by Frankie Waters, 3. Murray knocked out Johnny Parvia, 1. Murray knocked out by Don Lyons, 1. Murray knocked out Marty Pemba, 2. Lyons lost to Gary Cooper, 4.

Bat Battalino knocked out Chick Jones, 3. Jones outpointed Frankie Travis, 4. Sammy Montana knocked out Benny Revere, 3; lost to Bernie Devine, 6. Billy Heath drew with Fred Denny, 4. Al Velez knocked out Manny Gomez, 1.

Eddie West knocked out Frankie Wetzel, 3. Tim Dalton outpointed Leon Leblond, 4. Pat Celli knocked out Bill Sperry, 2; knocked out Joe Gangimi, 2. Flash Gordon outpointed Tommy Moore, 4.

Joe Pratt knocked out Jimmy Gill, 1. Bob Welch outpointed Charles Banks, 4. Jetson Arnold outpointed Vinnie Vazzo, 6. Vazzo drew with Tony Ferry, 8. Joe Miller knocked out Jackie Brace, 2. Robert Summers outpointed Edsel Thomas, 4. Cal Moran outpointed Bruce Wayne, 4.

Al Fern knocked out Sonny Barton, 3. Jimmy Kelly outpointed Charlie Trippiana, 4. Sam Ranger outpointed Jackie Mason, 4. Dick Czerniak outpointed Herman Mills, 4. Czerniak drew with Martin Collura, 4.

Danny Saunders knocked out Glen Massey, 2. Sonny Harrison outpointed Steve Sloveski, 6. Stanley Jordan knocked out Charley Wells, 3. M. Martin knocked out Charley Pope, 1.

Johnny Fry knocked out Pedro Flores, 2. Jasper O'Hanley outpointed Rajah Sabu, 4. Pete Ibbarra knocked out Eddie Reyes, 2. Ignacio Ortiz knocked out Donald Keck, 2.

Candy McDaniels outpointed Tiger Wills, 10. Kid Tagg knocked out Al Carson, 2. Frankie Venezuela outpointed Paul Lassiter, 4. Billy Carlisle knocked out Vic Reyes, 3. Johnny Goode knocked out Georgie Hahn, 3. Cal Robinson drew with Johnny Lovett, 6. Bucky Collins outpointed Harvey Mitchell, 4.

Allie Stolz defeated Willie Joyce, 10. Jimmy Joyce knocked out Jackie Graves, 2. Billy Sauerhoff stopped Jimmy Ricco, 3. Paddy O'Reilly outpointed Tony Fernandez, 8. Johnny Priest lost to Floriant Desmarais, 8. Steve Bellus stopped Bernie Devine, 3. Kid German defeated Luis Mongas, 10. Pedro Juarez decisioned Danny Freeman, 4. Tommy Greb stopped Ray Allison, 3.

Featherweights fared as follows: Sal Bartolo outpointed Pedro Firpo, 10. Chalky Wright outpointed LeRoy Willis, 10. Willie Pep outpointed Paulie Jackson, 8; knocked out Mike Martyk, 5. Mike Acevedo stopped Fillo Prado, 6; Villita de Juarez, 7.

Abel Lucero outpointed Walter (Cabey) Lewis, 12. Ted Sprouter outpointed Ken Hatcher, 12. Lionel Orreal outpointed Ron Conybear, 12. Ron Holland outpointed Mickey Davis, 12. Timothy Buddy Hayes knocked out Ray Moran, 3; outpointed Joe Montiero, 10; outpointed Tommy Moore, 10. Charlie Celeste kayoed Sammy Marlow, 1; knocked out by Billy Murray, 3. Sid Knight knocked out Leo Robbo.

Manny Ortega outpointed Juan Leonos, 10. Carter Darnell knocked out Wilford Bobb, 5. Darnell knocked out Henry Wallace, 7. Petey Virgin outpointed Harold Gibson, 10. Billy Ross outpointed Cyril Wills, 8. Jimmy Ingle drew with Dennis Chadwick, 8. Tom Smith outpointed Dave Finn, 8; Pat Palmer; Johnny Brickwell, 2.

Larry Bolvin outpointed Battling Rosendo, 6. Jack "Spider" Armstrong knocked out Johnny Cool, 4; kayoed Bobby English in 3 and was stopped by Charley Riley, 7. Riley knocked out Ossie Peguese, 8. Danny Webb knocked out Ben Duffy; knocked out by Al Phillips, 6. Duffy outpointed Bob Ramsay, 8. Diego Sosa outpointed Kid Guinche, 10. Johnny Wolgast outpointed Benny May, 8.

Jackie Harris drew with Tony Oshiro, 10. Oshiro outpointed Ernie Cabral, 8. Oshiro lost to Jean Barriere, 10. Harris beat Leo Mucucci, 10.

Jackie Graves knocked out Billy Heath, 3. Graves knocked out Ham Wiloby, 1. Ham Wiloby knocked out George Knox, 8. Graves knocked out Victor Flores, 1.

Maurice Lefty LaChance outpointed Rene Sanchez, 10; outpointed Jack Larrimore, 10; drew with Joe Robleto, 10. Robleto knocked out Ritchie Myershiro, 4.

Freddie Russo outpointed Harry Jeffra, 10; outpointed Pat Demers, 10. Augie Lapara knocked out Al Pennino, 1. Babe Huerta won from Joe Alvino, 4. Herb Jones outpointed Babe Kelly, 8. Kelly lost to Earl Trader, 8.

Al Escobar knocked out Benny Rubin, 2; beat Frankie Vanquela, 4; outpointed Bobby Johnson, 4. Pete Pacheco defeated Jess Salazar, 4; outpointed Nick Diaz, 4. Joe Fratt whipped Johnny Pitts, 4.

Gene Roberts knocked out Joey Palmo, 3. Palmo outpointed Johnny Cook, 6. Paul Febbo outpointed Joey Gatto, 8. Archie Wilmer outpointed Frankie Carto, 10.

Ted Christie knocked out Andy Pera, 6; outpointed Marion Rhoeten, 8; knocked out Johnny Goodem, 2; outpointed Frank Gaudes, 6. Clint Miller outpointed Angel Aviles, 8. Aviles lost to Frankie Rubino, 8.

Jock Leslie knocked out Pedro Hernandez, 5; knocked out Tommy Kiene, 6. Eddie Compo outpointed Carlos Cuebas, 8. Tito Vallis outpointed Jimmy Potts, 4; knocked out Percy Idlett, 2; lost to Tommy Demantis, 4.

Red Johnson outpointed Tiger Hall, 4; knocked out by Jimmy Anderson, 3; beat Leon Jones, 4. Billy Gilliam knocked out Jimmy Anderson, 1; outpointed Joe Lumpkiss, 4. Nick Madden outpointed Tony Pontillo, 4. Pontillo outpointed Joe Dell, 4. Pontillo knocked out Danny Ventrano, 2. Pontillo lost to Louis Langley, 4.

Joe Clemo knocked out Lou Salas, 3. Jackie Carroll outpointed Gene Gomez, 6; knocked out Charlie Celeste, 6. Gomez outpointed Eddie Moran, 4. Carroll knocked out Eddie Moran, 3. Filberto Osario outpointed Manny Camarilla, 6; outpointed Joe Robleto, 8; outpointed Charley Noel, 6; lost to Danny Carabella, 6. Billy Reed drew with Buddy Taylor, 4; knocked out Al Luna, 3.

Nick Diaz knocked out Henry Zamora, 4; outpointed Al Escobar, 4. Joe Alvano outpointed Ciro Zurita, 4; outpointed Jack Smith, 4; outpointed Jimmy Duval, 4; outpointed Billy Reed, 4; outpointed Battling Rosendo, 6. Sammy Anderson outpointed Babe Huerta, 4.

Jeep Anderson drew with Battling Rosendo, 6. Anderson knocked out Jimmy Pera, 3. Benny Jerome drew with Duane Hoag, 8. Billy Carroll outpointed Red Hutchins, 10; knocked out Jackie Greenberg, 4; knocked out by Ray Delgado, 4; knocked out Lew Williams, 6. Hutchins lost to Chili Cantero, 10.

Johnny Garcia outpointed Smiling Johnny, 4. Kid Frisco outpointed Little Boy Blue, 4. Ernest Nogues outpointed George Cueto, 4; outpointed George Rojos, 4; outpointed Paul Bustamante, 4. Cueto drew with Chuck McManus, 4. Cueto outpointed George Garcia, 4. Bobby Polowitzer outpointed Don McLean, 8; drew with Allie Minutoli, 8; outpointed Allie Minutoli, 8. Mike Gravino lost to Joey Dolan, 6. Benny Daniels outpointed Petey Virgin, 8. Gravino lost to Davey Allen, 6. Gravino knocked out Don Perkins, 3. Perkins outpointed Ted Cournoyer, 6. Gravino lost to Benny Daniels, 4.

Johnny Green outpointed Johnny Duga, 4. Al Thornycroft outpointed Syd Francis, 4. Johnny Land knocked out Rocky Schiavone, 2.

Andy Duncan knocked out Nick Kachardus, 2. Joey Wasnick knocked out Frankie Lamarr, 6. Oscar Williams outpointed Benny Daniels, 4; outpointed Leroy Jackson. Bert White beat Rudy Sanchez, 4. Joe Rodriguez beat Larney Mosely, 6.

Reds Hall outpointed by Angelo Ambrosano, 6. Ambrosano drew with Joe Fratt, 6. Little Giant knocked out Babe Hernandez, 6. Lost to Manuel Ortiz in 10. Ossie Rodriguez drew with Lester Howell, 5; knocked out Billy Reed, 4. Cleve Holt knocked out Joe Nelson, 4.

Reuben Heredia outpointed Chico Chito, 4. Chico Chito outpointed Robert Molina, 4. Pee Wee Lewis lost to Juan Zapata. Danny Carabella outpointed Georgie Knox, 6.

Indian Hinestroza outpointed Young Reid, 4; knocked out Freddie Smith, 5. Ron Cashman outpointed Jack Brooks, 3. Tony Espanola outpointed Victor Sagpang, 4. Jack Lucraft outpointed Frank Flannery, 4.

Jack Darue knocked out Al Griffin, 2. Phillip Williams knocked out Young Tiger Flowers, 1. Jackie Blount knocked out Jimmy Webb, 2; outpointed "Fogs" Simmons, 4.

Leo LeBron outpointed Al Cella, 6. Warren Deal knocked out Ritchie Myershiro, 1. Lefty Coleman outpointed Jimmy Smith, 4.

Eddie Brent outpointed Henry Young, 6. Dick Lewis knocked out Danny Green, 6. Todd Dowdy outpointed Freddie Tibbs, 4.

Lloyd Hudson knocked out Jack Desjardin, 3; drew with Blond Tiger, 8; lost to Bobby English, 10. Blond Tiger lost to Frankie Donato, 8. Blond Tiger outpointed Don Hernandez, 8. Blond Tiger won disqualification from Tommy Murray, 5. Jimmy Vacca knocked out Larney Mosely, 1.

Willie Weasel knocked out Danny Russell, 5. Harold Arrington outpointed Jimmy Cagni, 4. Arrington knocked out by Brown Lee, 3. Arrington knocked out Mike Turck, 3. Joe Rodriquez halted Bobby Cook, 3.

Diogenes Leon outscored Benny Daniels, 6. Daniels lost to Archie Stock, 6. Stock outpointed Oscar Williams, 6.

Billy Sourhoff knocked out Reggie Johnson, 2. Johnson knocked out by Tony Longo, 2. Pat Iacobucci knocked out Johnny Cook, 5; outpointed Gene Howell, 6. Ossie Peguese outpointed Juan Manuel, 6; outpointed Bobby Wright, 6. Young Junior knocked out Benny Davis, 3; outpointed Armand St. John, 4; knocked out Don Blanchard, 2. Armand St. John knocked out Bob Kennedy, 2.

Eddie Thomas outpointed Jimmy Ricco, 4. Nick Smith knocked out DeWitt Oliver, 1. Sal Victor knocked out Al Reilly, 1.

Teddy Swain knocked out Billy Lambert, 4; knocked out Young Junior, 5. Jackie Allen knocked out by Johnny Villanueva, 4. Eddie Germaine knocked out Johnny Pitts, 5. Fidel Aguilar drew with Frankie Venezuela, 4. Carey Mace outpointed Young Grasso, 3.

Tommy Monty knocked out Louis Langley, 1. Fred Latson decisioned Ollie Johnson, 4. Nick Sanders outpointed Eddie Lee, 6.

Douglas Gibson outpointed Pancho Martinez, 6. Chuey Rodriquez outpointed Joe Robinson, 4. Ray Alva knocked out Douglas Gibson, 3. Alva knocked out Johnny Greggs, 3. Rito Torres outpointed Manny Marmolejo, 4. Samuel Andrade outpointed Vince Padilla, 4.

Bobby Kinder knocked out Ike Carter, 1. Harry Rose drew with Brown Lee, 10. Luther Burgess outpointed Al Bartholomew, 4.

Carlos Chavez upset Augie Lapara, 10. Clint Miller outboxed Pedro Biesca, 6. Leo Milito scored over Mike Gravino, 6. Eddie Compo won from Leo Lebron, 6. Billy Murray stopped Jackie Carroll, 5.

Here are the bantamweight bouts: Benny Goldberg outpointed Eli Golindo, 10. Willie Alexander gained a close decision over Jimmy Parlin, 6. Alexander outpointed Reds Hall, 6. Mickey McKay won S. A. bantam title by outpointing Ginger Robinson, 15. Mickey Carr outpointed Mickey Francis, 12. Armando Puentes Pi knocked out Joe Rodriguez, 3.

Simon Vergara outpointed Ernest Aguilar, 10. Frankie Rodrigues knocked out Willie O'Campo, 2. Young Stewart outpointed Young Nelson, 4. Young Chocolate drew with Bombon Herazo, 8.

George Green outpointed Billy Moore, 10. Cliff Anderson outpointed Cliff Morris, 8. Sammy Reynolds knocked out Joe Curran, 2. Cliff Curvis knocked out Tommy Plowright, 6. Frank Williams outpointed Al Benton, 6.

Manuel Ortiz outpointed Little Giant, 10. Lorenzo Safora outpointed Ramon Ruiz, 10.

Luis Cedeno outpointed Victor Martinez, 4. Rodrigo Rodriguez outpointed Young Foster, 6. Gregorio Perez outpointed Paladio Collins, 6. Victor Martinez outpointed Luciano Cuteo, 4. Kid

Diaz outpointed Baby Dixon, 4. Baby Allen outpointed Chito Andrade, 6. Frankie Serrano drew with Edwardo Sarabia, 4.

Tippy Larson knocked out Bobby Molina, 2. Molina knocked out by Memo Espinoza, 4. Kid Flowers stopped Kid Arcenaux, 3. Frank Yung outpointed Reuben Heredia, 4. Dick Egan drew with Johnny Cyr, 4.

Francisco Colon Garcia knocked out Jimmy Jennette, 4; outpointed Andy Hayward, 6. Vince Lauria outpointed Ralph McNeil, 4; knocked out Willie Alexander, 3. Andy Hayward outpointed Frankie Pucci, 6. Frankie Rivera outpointed Jackie Boyd, 6; knocked out Charley Stacker, 2.

Henry Polowitzer and Eddie Jakwin drew, 5; knocked out Don Cedio, 1. Don McLean outpointed Wendel Douglas, 4. Willie Anderson outpointed Johnny Chong Wong, 6; outpointed Eddie Hines, 8. Howard Jackson knocked out Ollie Johnson, 1.

The flyweight bouts: Joe Curran outpointed Rinty Monaghan, 10. Guillermo Andrade outpointed Kid Boni, 10. Ace Dudley outpunched Wellington Beauleau, 4.

Young Abrigo knocked out by Young Montana. Abrigo outpointed Montana, 10. Luis Galvani outpointed Kid Guinche, 10.

Seaman Terry Allen outpointed Lieut. Mustapha Ezzatt, 8; boxed 3-round exhibition with Jackie Beham; knocked out Sayrd Mustapha, 2. Bunty Doran knocked out Ronnie Bishop, 4.

Ricaurte Andrade outpointed Lupe Fancho, 4. Jose Ortiz outpointed Alejandro Brown, 4. Brown lost to Transito Kid, 4. Goyo Castaneda outpointed Raul Gonzalez, 6. Baby Chente knocked out Juan Diaz, 1.

Manuel Ortiz beat Jose Andreas, 10. Jerry Lavigne drew with Gene Gomez, 4.

LATE FIGHT RESULTS

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS

Lloyd Marshall outpointed Nate Bolden, 10. Ralph DeJohn knocked out Larry Schott, 1.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Jake LaMotta kayoed Coolidge Miller, 3. Willard Buckless outpointed Jim Pettie, 8. Bobby Berger outpointed Billy Johnson, 10. Bee Bee Washington outpointed Johnny Lawer, 10.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Danny Kapilow knocked out Henry Jordan, 3. Joe Curcio outpointed Fritzie Zivic, 10. Major Jones outpointed Bobby McIntire, 8. Johnny Ryan outpointed Pat Giordano, 10. Tommy Bell knocked out Bill McDowell, 1. Bobby Lakin and Freddie Dixon, drew, 10. Sheik Rangel and Red Rasmussen, drew, 10.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Eddie Murphy knocked out Fred Bernard, 3. Dennis Pat Brady knocked out Spider Armstrong, in 1.

IN SYRACUSE RINGS

By BILLY SHAW

THE laurel wreath this month goes to Lloyd Welsh, Binghamton promoter, who by consistent operation and determination to give Southern Tier fans action-packed shows, has become one of the most successful club owners upstate. Welsh has built his Kalurah Temple club from an $800 proposition to one pulling a $4,000 gate. He hit that figure with a local natural, a bout between Art Gregory, Port Dickinson heavyweight, and Armond Olevano of Endicott.

A standing room crowd of 1,627 saw Olevano win a unanimous eight-round decision over the muscular Gregory. The Shoetown biffer scaled 175 to Gregory's 187½ and the pair turned in a sensational battle all the way. Referee Wazzo Kocak and Judge Al Lamb each voted five rounds for Olevano, three for Gregory. Judge Johnny Higgins awarded 10 points to Olevano, six for Gregory. The Port Dick mauler floored Olevano in the first round with a portside belt to the midsection for a count of nine. The knockdown touched the spark that blazed into a relentless, hammering offensive. Well-timed accurate punches piled up winning points for Olevano completely offsetting the knockdown. The scrap kept the fans in a constant turmoil of excitement.

On the same card, Nelson Hawkins, Cleveland socker, scored a technical knockout over Leo Dundee, Endicott, in the fourth round of a scheduled six-round semi. The veteran Dundee claimed his "legs gave out," and though he had an edge in the milling, Leo was unable to stay on his feet. Dundee dropped Hawkins in the initial stanza. Both weighed 163 pounds.

Other results: Aster Rice, 151, Binghamton, knocked out Paulie Wilson, 145, Carbondale, in 2:25 of the second round. Georgie Wright, 116, Philadelphia, knocked out Nick Ruggeri, 116, Endicott, in 1:22 of the second session. Bud Scouten, 145, Binghamton, decisioned Al Foster, 140, Binghamton, in four rounds. Ruby Roberts, 155, Garfield, N. J., technically kayoed Vic Belanger, 153, Utica, in 2:45 of the second stanza, which seems to be a popular round for terminating bouts in Bingo. Belanger suffered an arm injury.

Troy fistic cards are drawing good houses, which makes Promoter Ted Bayly happy. Danny Williams, crack Albany welterweight, annexed his seventh straight victory on the Oct. 15th card in LaSalle Institute gym, when he defeated Bernie Miller, of Harlem, in ten fast rounds.

A capacity crowd watched the proceedings and were treated to some nifty boxing as well as heavy slugging, which was plentiful. Judge John McCarthy gave 7 rounds to Williams, 3 to Miller. Judge Mickey Dooley saw it 8 for Williams, and Referee Polly Pleat liked it 4 for Williams, 2 for Miller and 4 rounds even!

Doug Rhone, 170, Albany, outpointed George Danianor, 173, Philadelphia, in a slow six-round semi-final. Carmen Sippello, 155, Schenectady comer, defeated Abe Thomas, 145, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., via the technical kayo route, stopping Thomas in 2:45 of the second round. Pat Smith, 137, Schenectady, halted Johnny Serruth, 138, same city, in 2:46 of the third. Young Chappie, 145, Albany, applied a T.K.O. to George McKinney, 142½, Albany, in 1:55 of the third heat.

Mike Konnors, a tough youngster from New York's famous "Hell's Kitchen," blasted his way to a two-round knockout over Jerry Darby, Jamaica, L. I., glove-tosser, at Troy, Oct. 29. Slated for ten rounds, the go suddenly terminated when Konnors lashed out with a vicious right to the heart that dropped Darby. Konnors tipped the beam at 132; Darby at 129½.

Doug Rhone, 168, Albany, gained a unanimous six-round decision over Ben Russ, gangling 175-pounder from Atlantic City, in the semi-windup. Rhone turned in a good display of punching marksmanship and had Russ groggy with head and body blows at the finish. Young Chappie, 140, Albany, knocked out Tony Trophia, 140, Syracuse, in 1:10 of the second round. Trophia started well, but Chappie penetrated the Syracusan's guard to knock him out. Vic Belanger, 154, Utica, knocked out Bob Franklyn, 154, Rensselaer, in 1:51 of the second frame, with a blaze away, two-fisted barrage. Pat Smith, 136, Schenectady, outscored Carl Olsen, 132, Syracuse, to win a four.

The Fighting DeJohn Family is back in the squared circle after plenty of service action. Carman DeJohn hopped over to Buffalo and celebrated his return to civilian life by knocking out Bill Franken, Detroit middleweight, in three rounds on the Jimmy Doyle-Oscar Suggs card. Doyle halted Suggs in three. Ralph DeJohn, top-notch members of the Fighting DeJohns, is prepping for several bouts in Buffalo. Both DeJohns are being handled capably by former Syracusan, Joe Netro.

Busiest fight manager in this section is Irv Robbins who has kept his stable of 22 busy at the rate of one contest a month for each over a period of five years.

Left-Hooks: Two popular Southern Tier boxers, Steve Kukol, former Golden Gloves lightweight champion, and Billy Cahill, Irish welterweight, have been honorably discharged from the service. . . . Joey Kushner, bone-cracking local featherweight star, now sports glasses out of the ring. . . . Danny Williams, the up-and-coming Albany Negro welter, saw action in Guadalcanal and New Hebrides. . . . Art Gregory, the Port Dickinson (N.Y.) heavyweight, has entered Cornell University, and will study medicine. . . . A return match between Gregory and Armond Olevano at Binghamton will set a new high for Bingo boxing.

Paul Swiderski tells us he will present five or six outdoor shows at MacArthur Stadium next summer under the Onondaga Sports, Inc., banner. . . . Gabe Genovese's new cafe-grille is one of the most beautiful in town. . . . Al Wertheimer, one-time Inter-collegiate featherweight champion, now weighs 190. . . . He was District A.A.U. Commissioner for several years until pressure of business forced him to give up the post.

CANADIAN TOPICS

By LAWSON BAMPTON

GUS MELL established himself as a main bout attraction in Montreal when he punched out a ten-round victory over Maxie Shapiro at the Forum in Montreal's first major postwar ring show, a financial success, with a gate grossing close to $14,000. Disregarding Shapiro's cutie tactics, Mell tore in steadily and carried the fight by a cleancut margin, but came close. In the fifth he floored Shapiro for a short count.

It was a fine start for Promoter Al Foreman, a great fighter himself some fifteen years ago when he wore the Canadian and British Empire lightweight crowns. Al recently returned from meritorious service with the R.C.A.F. overseas. The gate was a surprise in view of Mell running into an unexpected knockout defeat in three rounds in New York's St. Nick's when he got too careless with Ellis Phillips.

The eight-round semi-final between Steve Kronis, Boston Greek, and Lou Alter, local featherweight, was a humdinger ending in a draw.

In one of the six-rounders, Maurice Lavigne, local welter, scored a clean cut win over Gordon Mackie of Winnipeg in a slow bout.

Tommy Murray let his Irish get the best of him and literally kicked away the fight after having it well won. Murray was far ahead and putting on the pressure in the fifth round when he suddenly went haywire and kicked the shins of Paul Frechette, the Blonde Tiger of Lowell, Mass., which forced the referee to disqualify him. There was quite a shindig in the ring with both struggling to get at each other after the fight was over. Murray claims the "Tiger" hit him low twice so he saw "red."

The opener between Jasper O'Hanley and Rajah Sabu was a corking scrap all the way with O'Hanley getting off the floor twice to win.

Stray Shots . . . Wilfe Shanks, classy local middleweight, is back in Montreal for a lengthy layoff . . . his weight kept dropping, drawing on his strength, and caused him to drop a decision to Red Priest in a ten-rounder at Boston. . . . He will not return to action until he regains his proper weight and condition. . . . His brother, Al Shanks, has gone back to Athabasca, Alberta, to take over his dad's big farm. . . . Jean Barriere scored over Young Tony in a great scrap at New Bedford, Mass. . . . Boxing interest revived in Montreal by Al Foreman's fine card. . . . Eddie Petrin, the Canadian bantam champ, back from Army service overseas, will be one of the challengers for Canadian featherweight title abdicated by Gus Mell due to increasing weight. . . .

BOXING IN PANAMA

By ROBERTO A. TORRES

KID CHOCOLATE II and Bombon Herazo, weighing 118 each, thrilled 3000 spectators at the Club arena when they fought an eight-round draw in a nip-and-tuck battle. Each has yet to lose a decision since turning professional eight months ago. Baby Chente, 112, knocked out Juan Diaz, 111, in the first round. Baby Allen, 116, decisioned Chito Andrade, 113, in six rounds. Kid Diaz, 121, whipped Baby Dixon, 120, in four rounds.

Panama National Stadium — Simon Vergara, 125¼, Panama's fistic sensation, came from behind in a whirlwind finish to trounce the Mexican feather and bantamweight, Ernest Aguilar, 123½, in ten rounds. After the fight Aguilar who has fought Manuel Ortiz twice said that Vergara was a heavier puncher than the World's Bantamweight Champion. Goyo Castañeda, 112½, decisioned Raul Gonzales, 116¼, in 6 rounds. Indian Hinestroza, 131, decisioned Young Reid, 128, in four rounds. Transito Kid, 113½, decisioned Alejandro Brown, 118, in four rounds. Victor Martinez, 121, decisioned Luciano Cuteo, 120, in four rounds.

National Gymnasium—Tito Despaigne, 145¼, of Panama, won the unanimous decision over Manolo Sanchez, 153½, former welterweight champion of Cuba. Despaigne outboxed and outpunched the Cuban.

Gregorio Perez, 124½, after a long layoff, decisioned Paladio Collins, 125½, in a six-round semi-final. Rodrigo Rodriguez, 119½, decisioned Young Foster, 120, in six rounds. Luis Cedeño, 118¾, decisioned Victor Martinez, 119½, in four heats.

City of Colon, October 27—Guillermo Andrade, 113, of Panama, won a hard-fought ten-round decision over Kid Boney, 116, of Colombia. Boney held his own for the first eight rounds, but tired.

Indian Hinestroza, 130, knocked out Freddie Smith, 129, in five heats. Jose Ortiz, 119, decisioned Alejandro Brown, 118, in four rounds. Ricaurte Andrade, 110, decisioned Lupe Fancho, 119, in four rounds.

NEWS FROM WINNIPEG AND VICINITY

By AL GREENBERG

BEFORE a crowd of 2800 followers of the fistic game, the Canadian Army, with Captain Fritz Hanson promoting, staged an action-packed card in Winnipeg.

Sailor Johnny Roberts won the main bout in very convincing fashion over Billy Curry. Curry could not cope with Roberts' superior in-fighting.

The complete results are: Light-heavyweights—Babe Mathews, Regina, outpointed Ron Walley, New Westminster, four rounds. Nick Melnyk, Winnipeg, scored over Walter Karpuik, Sydney, in three.

Middleweights—Johnny Roberts, Winnipeg, decisioned Billy Curry, Winnipeg. Billy Evans, Kelvinton, beat George Cote, Winnipeg, in a three-rounder. Tiger Milne, Winnipeg, defeated Freddy Battaglia, over the three-round route.

Welterweight—Norm Williams, Los Angeles, stopped Scotty Proute in forty-one seconds of the third round. Johnny Stud, Toronto, won over Ken Gray, Winnipeg, in three.

Lightweights—Stan Powell, Pine Falls, whipped Art Grundy, Carmen, in three frames.

Short Jabs: Amateur boxing is fast regaining its popularity in Winnipeg. Tony Roberts, who made such a great impression in English rings, is due home. His brother, Johnny, now discharged from the Navy, plans to enter the pro ranks. . . . This writer's address is 415½ Manitoba Ave., Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Driscoll *vs.* Attell Battle of Ghosts

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more the finished boxer than Driscoll. He looked more dangerous. The Welshman appeared a little uncertain dancing around the champion and looking for an opening to shoot in his quick-fire straight left.

"Many seated about the ring thought surely Abe had too much ring generalship for the Briton, and expected to see Driscoll suffer his first defeat since his arrival in this country. But, alas for the followers of the great Abe, such was not to be the case. Driscoll made a pretty duck in the first round, and Attell slipped to his knee from the force of his wild swing. This was the only time during the fight that either man connected with the floor.

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"THE first two rounds were about even, but Abe still looked very formidable and dangerous. Driscoll only used his left, and seemed to be trying to get a good line on Attell before pulling any rough stuff. The first three rounds belonged to anybody, but Driscoll took a decided lead in the fourth. He seemed to be getting more confidence, and started a spirited jabbing campaign on Attell's right eye.

"Driscoll's blows did not seem to bother Abe, but they landed with painful regularity. They seemed like taps. Attell landed several good punches in the sixth. This and the eighth were the only two decisive rounds that belonged to Attell. He had the punch, but he couldn't connect.

"Driscoll's seconds applied the champagne bath in the eighth. Attell got in a few good right body punches in the ninth, but Jem continued to jab away at that eye. The swelling was a fair size by this time.

"Driscoll outboxed Abe in the last round. He danced around like a headless chicken and shot in his left from everywhere and nowhere. Attell couldn't locate him.

"There was no one decisive blow in the whole fight. At no time was either man in distress. It was simply an elegant display of science, with no thrilling or quiet moments. Nobody went crazy with excitement, and nobody lost interest for a single moment. But it was all there and certainly worth while seeing."

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THIRTY-SIX years have elapsed since that grand demonstration of boxing skill.

Did Attell win it? He is around yet, in New York, to insist with vehemence that he did.

Did Driscoll win? He is up in high Valhalla telling how he did, to John L., Dixon, Fitz, and the rest of that famous crew.

Be certain, however, that as long as fights are written about, there will be copious literature concerning the meeting of the masters of legerdemain.

The story of the ten rounds, blow by blow, is as follows:

FIRST ROUND—Driscoll was short with his left, and Attell ripped left and right to the wind. Driscoll's left went to face three times, and Attell sent left to wind and crowded Jem to the ropes. Attell misses two swings as Driscoll sidesteps, and the American falls against the ropes. He bounded back laughing. He hit Jem with a left to the stomach. Jem's lightning left found Attell's mouth. It was Driscoll's round.

SECOND ROUND—Attell's left went to the stomach, and Driscoll jabbed left on mouth. The American ripped right to stomach and sent his left to the Englishman's jaw. Driscoll put two lefts on nose and mouth. Jem jabbed three lefts to the eye and the last one on the mouth, which rocked Attell's head. They swapped lefts to head. Driscoll's blocking was marvelous and Attell's not a shade behind. Attell got to the wind with a good left. Attell's round by a shade.

THIRD ROUND—Attell's right reached the ear and Driscoll jabbed nose and mouth. Attell sent three lefts to the mouth and Driscoll jabbed a left on nose and mouth. Jem hooked a left to the eye and battered the stomach with right. Attell blocked two lefts, but Driscoll's right hook landed solidly on the jaw. A swap of lefts on face was followed by Driscoll's right to the jaw. This staggered the American, and Driscoll was in like lightning with three lefts on head. Driscoll's round.

FOURTH ROUND—Jem staggered Attell with a solid right on jaw. Attell rushed, but the Englishman ducked out of harm's way. Driscoll put two lefts to Attell's face and shook him up with a solid right on ear. Attell reached the stomach with both hands. Jem cut Attell's eye with a left and then put the left to the wind. After a break they exchanged lefts on the mouth. Driscoll's left went to Attell's nose and to the mouth. Driscoll's round.

FIFTH ROUND—Attell jabbed left to the nose, and Jem put Attell to the ropes with a left on the ear. Driscoll hit Attell on the ear with a right swing. They swapped lefts on the head, and when Attell ducked a swing Driscoll sent one to the kidneys. Jem's left shot to the face, and then Attell jarred Jem with a stiff left on the jaw. Both landed short-arm lefts on the head, and after a clinch Jem sent left to the bad eye and nose. Driscoll smashed the American's eye three times with his left. Driscoll's round.

SIXTH ROUND—Driscoll blocked a left, and hooked a left to Attell's bad eye. Attell jabbed nose with left, and Driscoll came back with two lefts to head. Attell hooked two lefts to jaw. Jem slowed up a moment, then came back with two sharp lefts on face. Attell's left went to stomach, and Driscoll planted a good left on Attell's wind. Driscoll landed left twice on the eye. Attell hooked a left on ear, then put two light lefts on the face. Jem smashed Attell's eye at the bell. Attell's round.

SEVENTH ROUND—Attell's left was blocked, but his right went solid on Jem's ear. Driscoll came back with a left on nose. Attell put a left on nose, then to the jaw, staggering Driscoll. Attell battered the stomach, and Jem jabbed left to the mouth. Attell sent a right to the heart. Driscoll walloped the kidneys, then sent three lefts to the eye, nose, and mouth. Attell's round.

EIGHTH ROUND—Attell's left was blocked and Jem jabbed left on mouth. Attell landed a left and right on head, then a swap of lefts on face was followed by Jem with a left to Attell's chin and a right on ear. Attell put a left to jaw and crossed a good right on ear. Driscoll darted two lefts to face; Attell replied with a left and right. Jem was short with a left, but after Attell got to the eye with a left Driscoll landed two lefts lightly on face. Attell put two to the stomach with both hands, and they were locked at the bell. Honors even.

NINTH ROUND—Driscoll rocked Attell's head with a left on mouth, and Attell staggered Jem with two left hooks on the jaw. Jem sent left to nose lightly and then to the mouth. Attell jabbed mouth with left, and Jem answered in kind. A swap of light lefts to face followed; then Jem sent a left on jaw and a right to the ear. Driscoll put left to the stomach, and Attell ripped left to the wind. The Englishman put a wicked right on chin and followed it with a swing to jaw. Attell clinched and they were hammering the stomach at the bell. Driscoll's round.

TENTH ROUND—Both men were strong. Jem put a light left on month, and after a clinch Driscoll sent a left to Attell's bad eye. There was another clinch and Driscoll hooked left and right on chin and ear. The American landed left on chest, and Driscoll hooked a solid left on nose, and followed it with a right on ear. Attell's left was checked and Driscoll hammered stomach. Driscoll ducked a wicked swing and they clinched. After the break Jem shot three lefts to the face and Attell clinched and hammered stomach. Jem sent a left to the mouth. It was Driscoll's round.

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BUY VICTORY BONDS

IN OUR QUESTION BOX

By NAT FLEISCHER

Adrian Wigginton, Route 2, Utica, Kentucky

Q.—Did Fritzie Zivic kayo Al Davis? Was Beau Jack given an honorable discharge? What happened to Ham Wiloby?

A.—On Nov. 15, 1940, Davis was disqualified in two rounds. On July 2, 1941, Zivic won in ten. Beau Jack was honorably discharged. Wiloby is boxing. He is active.

James H. Wright, Monahans, Texas

Q.—In the fight between Buddy Baer and Louis, did Baer knock Joe out of the ropes? What was the result?

A.—Yes, in first round, once. Baer was disqualified in the seventh round.

Herman King, Wolf Creek, W. Va.

Q.—Did Georgie Abrams fight Tony Zale? Did Billy Soose and Tony Zale meet in the ring? Is the Fitzie Fitzpatrick who was knocked out recently in Tacoma the same one who fought out of Cleveland?

A.—Yes. They fought in a title bout on November 28, 1941, and Zale won in 15 rounds. Soose and Zale clashed on August 21, 1940, and Zale lost in ten. Yes, it is the same Fitzie.

Joseph Cotte, East Boston, Mass.

Q.—Where can I get fight and wrestling photos?

A.—You can get photos through THE RING. Size 8 by 10 inches at $1.25 each. Any fighter of prominence, past or present, and any wrestler of prominence.

Wes Shepard, San Francisco, Cal.

Q.—What ounce gloves do the fighters in the heavyweight division wear? What in the lower classes?

A.—Five ounce gloves for heavy and light-heavy class; six ounce gloves below that.

Pfc. J. Weiss, Camp G., Johnston, Florida

Q.—What were the weights of Conn and Louis in their last fight?

A.—Conn scaled 174 and Louis 199½. Conn was the lightest opponent Louis ever faced in a title bout.

Ralph Burbank, G-2 Div. Hq. USFET, APO 757, N. Y.

Q.—Where was Joe Louis born?

A.—At Lexington, Alabama, May 13, 1914.

Leroy Webber, Hollywood, Cal.

Q.—Did Henry Armstrong ever take a knockdown count in his fights with Fritzie Zivic?

A.—No. He was dropped in the 15th round of his fight on October 4, 1940, by a blow to the jaw just as the bell sounded. He slipped in the sixth round of their fight on January 18, 1941, when he was stopped by the referee in the twelfth round.

A Reader, Brooklyn

Q.—In a bout between Galento and Firpo, who would have won? Who is "The Veteran" who signs articles in THE RING? When did Al Singer fight?

A.—Firpo. Most often Nat Fleischer; other times, some other veteran scribe. Singer fought between 1927 and 1942.

Alonzo Boston, Savannah, Ga.

Q.—From whom did Joe Louis win his title? Did Rocky Graziano ever fight Ray Robinson? Did Jack Dempsey ever fight a Negro?

A.—Jim Braddock. No. Yes, John Lester Johnson whipped him. Thereafter Jack at times had Negro sparmates but never boxed against a Negro in competition.

Earl Powers, Peekskill, N. Y.

Q.—When and where did Gene Tunney fight Jack Dempsey in both their fights? When and where did Tunney fight Tom Heeney? Did Tunney defend his title after the last Dempsey fight or did he retire from the ring?

A.—1. First fight took place in Philadelphia, second scrap in Chicago. 2. Tunney fought Heeney in New York City. 3. Tunney's fight with Heeney was in defense of his title. This was Gene's last bout.

A "Ring" Reader

Q.—Where can I get a book telling the life story of Jim Londos?

A.—In my book, "Milo to Londos," you will find a complete story of Londos' career. Also that of more than one hundred other famous wrestlers. The price is $3.25.

Q.—Why doesn't the N.B.A. recognize Willie Pep? What is the N.B.A.?

A.—The N.B.A. is an organization consisting of the boxing commissions of 39 states. I don't know. Pep is the legitimate world featherweight king.

Detmar Legin, Cincinnati, O.

Q.—Who was the referee of the Janiro-Greco fight on July 20? Of the LaMotta-Basora fight on August 10? Of the Graziano-Cochrane fight on August 24? Of the Levine-Horne fight on August 31? What were the weights of Joyce and Bartfield on September 14?

A.—Benny Leonard. Johnny Burns. Benny Leonard. Johnny Burns. Bartfield, 137¼; Joyce, 138.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

By HARRY WINKLER

MATCHMAKER BABE McCOY dished up a program of six-rounders for the Los Angeles Olympic patrons, the card made up mostly of "tomorrow's main-eventers." In the top six-rounder he gave one of our best preliminary "club fighters" an opportunity to graduate from the prelim ranks, but the kid lacks both class and punch, and in there against an experienced fighter who possesses both those assets, the Los Angeles youngster failed dismally.

The prelim boy who got his chance—Battling Rosendo—proved to be greatly overmatched. The trial-horse who put the kid back in the prelims was Larry Bolvin of Providence, R. I. Bolvin copped every round and gave the young Mexican a merciless beating, but Rosendo stayed in there trying every second of the way, and although rocked to his heels on numerous occasions, he kept on his feet to the finish. Bolvin weighed 124, Rosendo, 123.

In a bruising toe-to-toe affair, Tiger Sheppard, 175, Texas Negro, whipped Willie Johnson, 169, hard-hitting Negro fighter of Los Angeles. It was even at the end of the fourth heat, but the tireless Tiger had what Willie didn't have in the final two rounds, and pulled down the verdict.

Jackie McCoy, 130, one of Los Angeles' brightest prospects, stopped Tony Jackson, 134, Chicago Negro, in the fourth round. A right to the jaw put Jackson in the resin. Tony arose at count of three, but was in a dazed condition and Referee Charlie Randolph waved him to his corner. McCoy, home on a furlough after 29 months in the South Pacific, was accorded a warm ovation from the large crowd.

Roman Starr, 162, Oklahoma Indian, and Gilbert Whiteside, 159, Los Angeles Negro, battled to a bloody technical draw. Starr was leading in this slugfest when it was halted in the fifth round. The fighters bumped heads and both suffered cuts which bled so profusely that Referee Jack McDonald sent them to the doctor's office.

Jeep Anderson, 129, perpetual-punching Italian, was awarded a third round TKO victory over Jimmy Pera, 128, when the latter was unable to continue. Pera was bleeding from nose and mouth at the time the go was stopped.

Al Escobar, 129, El Centro, surprised by outpointing Nick Diaz, 128, speedy southpaw of Los Angeles. It was a fast setto between two up-and-coming youngsters, either of whom might beat the boy who was pitted against Bolvin.

A rather weird decision was rendered in the Tommy Garland-Francis Ogg bout, staged at the Ocean Park Arena. The unusual verdict—a technical decision to Garland—was rendered by Referee Johnny Indrisano when Ogg butted Tommy in the fourth round, causing a deep cut over his left eye. It was said the decision conformed with a new rule of the Commission.

Garland boxed well and punched hard to win three of the four rounds fought, and put the Sacramento fighter down for a 9-count in the second.

In supporting bouts, all four-rounders, Sonny Hill, 135, defeated Shamus McCray, 136; Jimmy Duval, 134, bested Babe Lewin, 135; Roosevelt Bonner, 133, decisioned Tony Jackson, 135; Chu Chu Cuate, 119, nodded Jay Jan, 114; Teddy Guerrero, 140, again won over Levi Board, 136.

Bobby Yaeger clever Negro boxer of Los Angeles, was credited with a 6th round TKO over Memo Llanes of Mexico, at the Hollywood Stadium, when Referee Mushy Callahan halted the bout because of a cut over the Mexican's left eye. The wound was first inflicted in the 4th round, but the club physician ruled that the bout could continue, providing it was stopped whenever the wound was made worse, which is what happened in the sixth.

Yaeger was leading a bit at the time the bout was stopped, and by the manner in which he connected with rights to the head in the 5th and 6th rounds, Bobby was headed for victory, although it was proving a tough job. Yaeger copped the first two heats by close margins. Llanes bobbed and weaved inside of Bobby's left leads in the 3rd and 4th rounds to give the Negro boy a beating about the body and chalk up a few points for his side. But Yaeger found the range with his trusty right in the next two rounds and was slightly in the lead when Memo was ushered out to be sewed up.

It had been just such a scrap as a packed house expected to see, fast and exciting. Yaeger weighed 140, Llanes, 141.

In the semi, John Donnelly, 183, Kansas City, punched out a win over Nolan Sharp, 188. Donnelly outboxed his foe at long range and had the best of the infighting, to garner five of the six rounds.

In the four-rounders, Pete Pacheco, 128, bested Bert White, 125; Leonard Johnson, 155, floored Pete Boniface, 156, four times to win by TKO in the third; Shamus McCray, 138, decisioned Paul Lassiter, 139; Freddie Hernandez, 120, nodded Bobby Molina, 118, in the opener.

Tim Kelly, 186, San Francisco, caused the San Diego fans to sit up and take notice by punching out a 10-round decision over Joe Mack, 171, at the Coliseum. However, the hard hitting San Diegoan did little fighting on this night and seldom unleashed his lethal right fist. Only in the first two rounds and the final heat, did Mack mix it with his Irish foe, and in those three sessions he more than held his own. During the other seven rounds, Mack went on the defensive and Kelly piled up a good lead by punching Joe plenty in those frames. Mack bled from the nose all during the last half of bout, while Kelly received a cut eye in the 9th and was rather messed up at the finish.

In the three six-rounders, Al Wright, San Diego middleweight, punched out a win over Willie Collins, Los Angeles; Billy Reed, 127, Los Angeles, decisioned Ramiro Lopez, San Diego; Henry Young, 129, San Diego, nodded Sal Sanchez. In the four-round opener, Flash Gordon, 140, San Diego, whipped Teddy Guerrero, Pasadena.

In the story on the Haynes-Hart fight (Nov. issue), a sentence was worded so as to give the impression that this writer blamed the Olympic management for the fiasco. That was not my intent. I strongly criticized Al Hart for his miserable showing, but I have been "back stage" too many years to blame a promoter for the physical condition or "dogging" performance of a boxer.

This writer always has, and always will blast any promoter or matchmaker when they are at fault for any incident that is detrimental to boxing, but it is not the policy of THE RING, nor this writer, to criticize unfairly. And it would have been unfair to rap the Olympic management for Al Hart's performance in that bout. In fact, the Olympic management is really due for some praise, and this is a good time and place to give it.

Cal Eaton, the promoter, has certainly put the big arena over. And that was no easy task. The place had been a "white elephant" for years, and guys like me, skeptical and critical, didn't make Eaton's job any easier. Well, the Olympic is now playing to big crowds every week and drawing the largest gates of any club on the Coast. And Babe McCoy, matchmaker, has been staging most of the best scraps seen in these parts these days. He has also been instrumental in "making" many of the best drawing cards we have in California.

That is the Olympic management today.

Chuey Figueroa, 133, punched out a close decision over Lou Bernal, 133, in ten rounds at the Ocean Park Arena. It was a fast, stubbornly fought contest, in which the referee had to split hairs to declare a winner.

Other results: Kent Roberts, 174, decisioned Jimmy Wilson, 175, in four; Pal Moran, 141, nodded Bruce Wayne, 145, in four; Nick Smith, 130, KO'ed DeWitt Oliver, 129, in the first; Sal Victor, 131, making his pro debut, iced Al Riley, 130, in one; Billy Petersen, 155, stopped Louis Mosely, 152, in two.

Tommy Egan, 151, San Francisco, knocked out Pedro Jiminez, 150, Vallejo, twice in the 7th round of a scheduled 10-rounder at Fresno. A left hook to the chin put Pedro on the canvas and Referee Frank Manfredo tolled "ten" before Jiminez made his feet, but the Mexican protested so vigorously that the ref allowed him to continue. So, Egan started in where he left off and Pedro was soon on the floor from body blows. He arose at count of 5 to receive a right on the whiskers that put him down for the full count.

Egan almost floored Jiminez in the second, but experienced trouble in landing solidly on his rangy foe in most of the rounds. Pedro held Tommy off with a long left and backpedaled to other parts when the Irishman became too determined for comfort.

In other bouts; Julio Franco, 140, Bakersfield, easily punched out a TKO win over Jimmy Kidd, 136, Clovis, in the third round of the semi. The Negro was bleeding badly from nose and mouth when the one-sided affair was stopped; Billy Gilbert, 220, San Francisco Negro, won close decision over Eddie Reed, 225, roly poly Negro man of Fresno, in four; Young Escobar, 114, Brawley, was given a draw with Gilbert Gonzales, 117, Fresno, in four; Art Candelerio, 136, Pinedale, KO'ed Jerry Hinson, 132, Hammer Field, in one.

Cecil Hudson, Los Angeles Negro, realized a long-suffering desire when he trounced Sheik Rangel of Fresno, in a 10-rounder at the Los Angeles Olympic. Although Hudson had beaten better men, he couldn't win even one of the three previous bouts with Sheik. Of course, these contests were of a few years ago when the Negro clouter wasn't as fistically educated as he is today. In those other brawls—and I do mean brawls—Rangel mussed Hudson up with some choice barroom tactics but Sheik couldn't work the old roughhouse stuff on Cecil this time.

Hudson offset Rangel's use of head and elbows by pulling Sheik in, spinning him, and shoving him into the ropes. Cecil is a clever boxer on his good nights, and this was one of them. He was credited with every round and scored two knockdowns for good measure, dumping Sheik in the opening round, and again just before the final bell ended the go. Hudson weighed 150, Rangel 148.

In the 6-round semi, Jeep Anderson, 128, and Battling Rosendo, 125, two of Los Angeles' best "club fighters," slugged to a draw.

In the four-rounders, Sammy Anders, 130, won an unpopular decision over Babe Huerta, 132; Joe Alvano, 128, nodded Ciro Zurita, 128; Nick Diaz, 129, stopped Henry Zamora, 128, in the fourth; Bill Reed, 124, drew with Mexican Bud Taylor, 120.

Little Giant, Buffalo, N. Y., Negro, rocked the Baby Hernandez of Mexico, to sleep in the sixth round of their scheduled ten at the San Diego Coliseum. The pay-off punch was a right to the jaw and Hernandez took the full count without moving a muscle. Just previous to the sleeper, Giant had received the worst of a mix-up, and the Mexican had bothered the sawed-off Negro plenty with a left.

In supporting bouts: Rudy Turner, 153, San Diego, banged out a close decision over Russ Long, 145, Los Angeles, in six; Memo Espinoza, San Diego bantam, outclassed Bobby Molina, Los Angeles, stopping him in the 4th round; Eddie Brent KO'ed Sal Sanchez in the second with a left to the body; Ray Raymond eliminated Jim Stone in the fourth.

Rocky Luciano, 153, Harrisburg, Pa., KO'ed Petey Wheatstraw, 147, Los Angeles, in the third round of a scheduled ten at the Ocean Park Arena. This could very well have read "Wheatstraw KO'ed Luciano," for, Petey packs more dynamite than those Pennsylvania coal miners, but he doesn't keep his fuses as dry. And Petey's chin is the "straw" part of him, so, when he doesn't blast out his opponents, he figures to be blasted. After being outboxed in the first two rounds, Luciano hung a right on Wheatstraw's fragile jaw and, the end.

In the other bouts, all four-rounders, Al Timmons, 175, Cleveland, decisioned Duncan Curry, 170, Savannah, Ga.; Billy Petersen, 155, bested Dave Gotch, 158; Frank Valenzuela, 138, won over Paul Lassiter, 140; Benny Cordova, 165, iced Leon Lewis, 162, in the first heat; Nick Smith, 130, whipped Roosevelt Bonner, 131.

This writer has often harped on the lethargic and indifferent performances of some of our main-eventers, who were repeatedly booked at the same clubs, in spite of their poor showings. Of course, in many cases these "I should worry" fighters have been used again and again because of the shortage of talent, but in some instances it was probably because their managers knew "where the body was hidden."

I have often (through these columns) tried to show these lucky birds "the light" by appealing to their patriotism, etc. I have pointed out that most of them are only of mediocre talents and that "When the boys come home" many of today's main-eventers will be put back in the preliminary ranks. And that those who were so fortunate to be free to box and drag down five times as much as their services were worth, should at least make their best efforts in every bout. That they owed it to the hundreds of much better fighters who were enduring terrible hardships, spilling their blood and risking their lives on the war fronts. But, no dice!

So, it now gives me much pleasure to report the first local contest between the two distinct types of boxers referred to.

Well, they are really returning home now. Larry Cisneros, that dyed-in-the-wool, two-fisted little Mexican who used to put on such great scraps, not just occasionally, but every time he answered the bell, is the first local main-eventer back from the wars. Larry put in over three years on the battlefronts in Africa, Sicily and Italy, but he is in just as excellent physical condition and good spirits as though he had spent the time down on the farm.

Cisneros met Matt Oglesby, whose good, bad and indifferent fights have been chronicled in these columns so often during the past two years, but whom you will not be reading so much of hereafter. Their meeting was at Hollywood Stadium, where both have done most of their fighting. There wasn't much action in the early rounds, Oglesby being reluctant, and Cisneros a bit cautious, having heard much of Matt's potent punch. However, Larry did too much scrapping to please the Negro clouter, and the curly-headed Mexican was credited with every one of the ten rounds. Oglesby displayed little fighting spirit in spite of the razzing from the crowd and the prodding of Referee Abe Roth. Cisneros weighed 137, Oglesby 136.

In the semi-windup, Roscoe Scally, 133, Pasadena Negro, defeated Chino Carvajal, 132, Tijuana, Mex., winning four of the six rounds. Roscoe spilled the Mexican in the first round. Scally, winner in L. A. Golden Gloves, is beginning to show the form expected of him.

Results of the four-rounders: Pete Pacheco,

127, decisioned Jess Salazar, 130; George Edwards, 189, nodded Casey O'Hara, 190; Cleve Kelly, 157, won over Henry Rich, 160; Al Escobar, 128, whipped Frankie Valenzuela, 136.

Vincente Villavicencio, 163, Tecate, pounded out a decisive win over Kid Lester, 160, San Diego Negro, in a rousing 10-rounder at the San Diego Coliseum. Villa (there's that name again) fought a clever and aggressive battle and had Lester in distress several times. The Mexican punched the Negro toughie all over the ring in the 7th, but Lester fought back every inch of the way.

Bert White, 126, Chicago Negro, decisioned Rubin Sonorita, 125, Mexico, in another 10-rounder, a contest minus heavy hitting or exciting moments.

Art Taylor, San Diego middleweight, KO'ed Ted Jamison, Pasadena, in the third; Eddie Brent, lightweight, stopped Art O'Dowd in three; Frank Conti and Flash Gordon, local lightweights, fought a four-round draw.

After singing the National Anthem, the Los Angeles Olympic fans settled down in their seats to witness a few rounds (possibly ten) of fast, clever boxing. Enriquc Bolanos of Mexico, and Humberto Sierra of Cuba, are speedy, scientific performers, and too cagey to be tagged early in a bout. Yes, indeed, they both are, but look! They come out of their corners like discharged sailors coming off the ship!

Rat-a-tat-tat-tat go piston-like left jabs into each other's face; Bolanos nailed the Cuban with a solid right; Sierra rocks the Mexican with a right to the chin; Enrique shakes Humberto to his toes with a left hook; they pump in a few more jabs and wham! a hard right to the jaw and Sierra is down, but he makes it to his feet at count of 9. Rat-a-tat-tat-tat go another flock of those gatthng-gun lefts into both physiogs; Sierra parks a right on Bolanos' jaw, as the latter crowded Humberto into the ropes, where he plants a left into the body and a right on the jaw that put the Cuban down for the full count. Wow!

It was like going to the opera and having the Marx Brothers perform. The result was no surprise, but the action was. Bolanos, 5 to 1 choice, figured to win via the kayo route, but, only after a few rounds of scientific sparring. Sierra's cockiness was the main reason for this explosion of leather, and his quick defeat. Bolanos weighed 133, Sierra 132.

Jimmy Coleman, 168, a good Negro fighter just out of the service, stopped Ray Acosta, 170, in the 4th round of the semi. Coleman stretched the Mexican out late in the opening round, but the bell came to Acosta's rescue. He was carted to his corner and revived. The crowd booed lustily when Ray went down for the count from a rather light blow, but an examination after the bout disclosed that Acosta had suffered a fractured jaw. (Yeah, even whole crowds are sometimes wrong.)

Al Escobar, 129, El Centro, gave Bobby Johnson, 125, Chicago Negro, an unmerciful beating in the 4 round special. Johnson hit Escobar low in the first round, and then socked him from behind as the Mexican turned away in pain. Escobar floored Bobby twice in the second heat, the bell saving him from a kayo. Al used the Negro boxer for a punching bag in the next two rounds.

Elliott Beckham, 199, stopped Ardis Mack, 194, in the third; Joe Alvano, 127, beat Billy Reed, 126, in four; Al Singleton, 150, decisioned Ozzie Lewis, 151, in four.

Frankie Augustain, 158, Los Angeles Mexican, and Roy Miller, 159, Kansas City Negro, battled ten rounds to a draw at the Ocean Park Arena. It was an in-close affair throughout, with Miller winning the early rounds and Augustain copping the closing heats to pull up even.

In supporting bouts, all four-rounders: Al Timmons, 181, Cleveland, and Harry Wills, 175, South Bend, Ind., battled to a draw; Joe Alvano, 130, defeated Nick Smith; Al Singleton, 147, nodded Russ Long, 149; Teddy Guerrero, 140, and Richard Lamb, 144, fought to a draw; Ernie Jones, 159, bested Herman Bounds, 165.

To you correspondents who have submitted names of boxers to me, relative to securing matches for them in California, and have not received an answer, please be advised that I am not interested in "washed up" fighters, and that California promoters are not anxious (that is, not often) to put out-of-state preliminary boxers in local main-events. Do not believe the stories about the Indians and stage-coaches still being in vogue out here.

We have as good fighters out here as there are in other sections, and our preliminary boys are better than those in most parts of the country. Our boxing fans know what it is all about, and our fight crowd knows the score.

I would be pleased to represent any manager of good fighters, and I would gladly teach and coach any beginner, no matter how green, if he showed promise. But I have a reputation out here that wasn't established by being associated with "palookas," or by being a party to having fighters get their brains scrambled just to make a few dollars.

All a guy can do is try—and Eli Golindo, Los Angeles Mexican, certainly did that in his big, but slim chance against Benny Goldberg, Detroit Hebrew, at the Hollywood Stadium. This writer, for one, did not believe that Golindo would go the distance with the cagey southpaw, basing my opinion on the fighting spirit shown by Benny in his last encounter. But Goldberg wasn't that roaring little scrapper in this bout.

Benny started out aggressively and gave Eli quite a going over in the first two rounds, but then eased up (probably fearing another fainting spell from over-exertion), and Golindo landed some telling blows in the 3rd and 4th rounds to almost even the score. Then Goldberg reverted to form, becoming the elusive, counter-punching southpaw, a style that has kept Benny one of the foremost contenders for the bantam title. The Detroiter garnered five of the remaining six heats, to win by a big margin. Goldberg scaled 120, Golindo 122.

Allen Arnett, 167, upset the dope-bucket in belting out Titus Hawkins, 170, San Diego, in the first round of the semi-windup. A right to the jaw spilled Hawkins for a 9-count, and when he arose, Arnett kissed him with another right to the button that disposed of Titus for the evening.

In the four-rounders, Nick Diaz, 128, punched fast to outscore Pete Pacheco, 126; George Edwards, 185, decisioned Jimmy Wilson, 178; Shamus McCray, 140, and Dub Bowen, 138, drew; Joe Alvano, 130, nodded Jimmy Duval, 133.

Joe Louis, here on vacation, took a bow and received a big hand.

Abel Lucero, 134, Fresno, came on like a house afire in the late rounds to get a draw with Walter (Cabey) Lewis, 129, Brooklyn Negro, in a sizzling 10-rounder at Fresno. They set a pace throughout, and first one, then the other would fag out from trying to win by the kayo route.

Lewis punched the stuffing out of Lucero in the 8th, and the Fresnoan returned to his corner a weary warrior and quite a bit behind in points. But his handlers knew the magic word and Abel raised cain in the 9th, parking a flock of rights on Lewis' head, to make it close. Both went all out in the final round, with neither having any distinct advantage. Referee Frank Manfredo's verdict was questioned by many, who thought Lewis had a shade.

Julio Franco, 140, Bakersfield, experienced little trouble in punching out a TKO win over Nat Lamanuzzi, 136, Fresno, in the 4th round of the semi. The Fresno boy kept it interesting for a couple of rounds, but was so badly pummeled by the end of the 4th that it ceased to be a contest.

In three remaining prelims, Art Candelario, 138, Camp Pinedale, eliminated Jimmy Kidd, 134, Clovis, 2; George Smith, 155, Fresno Negro, stopped Henry Woodard, 150, Hammer Field, 3; Paul Valdez, 134, Fresno, TKO'ed Gil Mendoza, 128, Fresno, 3.

Even "playing around" gets monotonous, so, Watson Jones had his manager book a fight, he went into training for a couple of weeks, and showed up for the match, of all things! And Mr. Jones brought along his potent left hook for this Hollywood Stadium engagement, which was bad news for Al Jordan, the opponent. Watson exploded that atomic left on Jordan's jaw in the opening round, but Al isn't easily discouraged and he regained his feet to last out the round.

Jones stretched the Chicago boxer out with another left in the second heat that would have ended the bout, had not the bell come to Jordan's rescue at the count of 5. The effort to finish his foe seemed to tire Watson, and he eased up in the third, which "watchful waiting" benefitted Jordan more than his tormentor. Al got in a few good licks in the 4th and was making a fight of it in the 5th when he was nailed by another of those jolting lefts which felled him for the third time. Jordan regained his pins at the count of 8, but was in bad shape and Referee Benny Whitman waved Watson to his corner, giving him a TKO victory. Jones weighed 174, Jordan 189.

In the semi, Juan Zapata, 129, Mexico, punched out a decision over Pee Wee Lewis, 130, Baltimore. Lewis dropped the Mexican in the opening round, but was outslugged in four of the six heats.

Other results: Bert White, 126, Chicago, proved too experienced for Rudy Sanchez, 125, nodding the youngster in four. Sanchez was making his pro debut. Fugio Escabedo, 146, TKO'ed Johnny Meadows, 150, in the third; Sonny Hill, 136, outpointed Billy Hayman, 136, in four; Rubin Heredia, 126, beat Chico Chito, 121.

A capacity crowd turned out to see Manuel Ortiz, bantam champion, oppose Little Giant, Buffalo Negro, in a 10-rounder at the San Diego Coliseum. It was the little champ's first start since his discharge from the Army and of course, was a non-title affair. It was a fast, interesting go, with Ortiz, as is his habit, fighting just enough to keep ahead of his opponent. At first, Manuel laid it on and had the stocky Negro in distress in the second round, but couldn't floor the stubby gamester. The Giant's ruggedness commenced to tell on Ortiz in the 8th and 9th rounds, so, the champ put a bit more "oomph" in his punches in the final round to have his foe on dizzy street, thereby making his win a very decisive one. Each weighed 124.

In supporting bouts, Homer McGrew, Los Angeles, won by TKO over Bob Murphy, San Diego, in the second round, when the latter suffered a cut eye; Billy Reed, Los Angeles, won by the same means over Al Luna, San Diego, in the third heat; Eddie Brent beat Henry Young in four; Flash Gordon defeated Tommy Moore in four.

It was no surprise when Johnny Haynes rocked Bill Peterson to sleep at the Los Angeles Olympic, but the Chicagoan surprised the clientele, as well as Haynes, by coming out fighting, and going out the same way. I question the strategy of Peterson's offensive against such a powerful puncher as Haynes, but it could have been the reckless gamble of a condemned man. At any rate, his tactics made for a sensational setto, even though a brief one.

Peterson came out fast at the opening bell and landed a solid right on Johnny's jowls that shook up the giant Negro, and the battle was on! Haynes swung hard with both mitts, but the big Dane ducks well and most of the Jumbo John's haymakers merely fanned the air. Then it happened! Haynes nailed Bill with a murderous right and the Chicagoan goes down like a log, and the crowd starts toward the exits. Hey, wait!

Peterson wakes up and makes it to his feet at the count of 9. He wasn't defenseless either, and he fought back. But soon a left hook to the chops put Bill back in the resin. Again the old Chicago "I will" spirit prevailed, but he was not Perpendicular Peterson for long, and when he was stretched out by another powerhouse right to the jaw, Referee Benny Whitman raised Haynes' hand without the formality of counting the melancholy Dane out. Haynes tipped the beams at 218, Peterson 198.

In a bruising semi-windup, Tiger Sheppard, 176, Texas Negro, pounded out a win over Willie Johnson, 174, Los Angeles, in the fourth round. Johnson dealt out a lot of punishment to Sheppard in the opening frame, but the tireless Tiger kept boring in and wore Willie down to a frazzle. When Johnson was dumped for the second time in the 4th, the affair was halted.

In the four-rounders: Ardis Mack, 194, whipped Steve Ludman, 190; Nick Diaz, 128, decisioned Al Escobar, 128; Louis Mosely, 153, nodded Kenny Smith, 148; Henry Yung, 120, a Japanese protege of Henry Armstrong, outpointed Rubin Heredia, 124.

Chino Rodriguez, 146, Los Angeles Mexican, whipped Ike Blair, 150, El Centro Negro, in a hard fought 10-rounder at the Ocean Park Arena. Chino put the Negro roughhouse battler down for a 2-count in the 4th round.

Other results: Sammy Anders, 130, decisioned Al Escobar, 127, in four; Al Singleton, 147, bested Russ Long, 146, in four; Babe Lewin, 135, won over Tony Jackson, 137, in a four-rounder; Billy Mitchell, 140, stopped Jimmy Lucas, 135, in the third; Felix Miramontes, 126, making his first pro start, KO'ed Al Silva, 124, in the fourth.

(This professional debut of Miramontes, winner in L.A. Golden Gloves tournament, turned into a tragedy when his opponent died of concussion on the following day.)

Lorenzo Safora, flashy Cuban boxer, outpointed Ramon Ruiz of Mexico, in a luke-warm 10-rounder at the Hollywood Stadium. The bout fell short of expectations, there being too much clinching, something unusual in bouts between these small Latin boxers. Safora failed to display either the speed or fire in the first five rounds, that he had shown in previous appearances, and Ruiz held him on even terms in the first half of the go.

Safora snapped out of it in the 6th heat and outclassed Ruiz from there on in. Lorenzo really punched the Mexican around in the 7th, 8th and 9th, during which Ramon didn't land a solid blow on the elusive Cuban. Safora was credited with 7 of the 10 rounds, and this on a night when he was not in top form, which doesn't make Ruiz a big club main-eventer in my book. Safora came in at 122, Ruiz 120.

In the 6 round semi, Edgar Robinson, 156, Phoenix, Ariz., Negro, copped four of the rounds and the decision over Frankie Calzo, 160, San Bernardino.

In remaining prelims, Wilfred Scott, 142, defeated Shamus McCray, 140, 4; Fidel Aguilar, 134, and Frankie Valenzuela, 138, battled to a draw, 4; Casey O'Hara, 188, won from Ardis Mack, 190, 4; Chico Chito, 120, decisioned Bobby Molina, 115, 4.

Winning all the way, but in a go that was tame throughout, Tim Kelly, 186, San Francisco, decisioned Jimmy Nelson, 178, Cleveland, in ten rounds at the San Diego Coliseum. Nelson did little for nine rounds, but put on a Garrison finish in the final heat, which was a bit late in the evening for that, as Kelly had the verdict all wrapped up by then.

(For the benefit of the reader, Mr. Kelly is the Tim Heffernan who did so well up around 'Frisco for about three years. And Mr. Nelson is Harold Dettman, who met many of the good middleweights a few years ago.)

In other bouts, Al Wright, San Diego middleweight, won by TKO over Willie Collins, Los Angeles, when latter sustained a badly cut lip, 2; Bob Murphy, San Diego middleweight, KO'ed Louis Mosely, Los Angeles, 1; Chick Musgrove, San Diego welter, stopped Young Salvador, Tia Juana, 3; Jim Stone beat Ernie Jones, 4.

Al Medrano had just started to wear pants when Georgie Hansford launched on his fistic career, and although young Al is now old enough to vote, he still hasn't matured enough to whip old Georgie. At any rate he didn't do it, even though he was awarded the decision in six rounds at the Los Angeles Olympic. The classy Mexican should have, and I believe, can beat Hansford, but in this instance he didn't. They met in the feature bout on a program of six 6-rounders, made up of better than average boxers.

Medrano outboxed Hansford most of the way, but backpedaled continuously, and Georgie's aggressiveness and heavier punching more than evened the score. However, Referee Bill Kershner's verdict of a draw would have been fair enough, but both judges voted for Medrano, who weighed only 134 to Hansford's 139.

Frankie Angustain, 157, chalked up a 6th round TKO over Spencer Coleman, 159, but he had to come up off the floor and weather a miserable first round to do it. And it was probably well for Frankie that it was Coleman's first start since his discharge from the Service, as the Negro was one of the most promising middleweights in this area before he went to war.

For two rounds it was a fight, then suddenly Coleman ran out of gas and Angustain punched him all over the ring until Referee Frank Holborow gave the Mexican the "cease firing" order.

Tiger Sheppard, 175, Texas Negro, and Ray Acosta, 170, Los Angeles Mexican, staged a brawl that was awarded to the Tiger at the end of six bruising rounds. Acosta led in the first half of the go, but the old man's legs are not what they were fifteen years ago, and the Negro windmill lambasted Ray in the last half of the fracas. Both were as limp as wet rags at the finish.

Petey Wheatstraw, 147, sepia-colored socker of Los Angeles, was lucky to get a draw with Rudy Campa, 147, San Fernando. It was a drab affair, as Wheatstraw did little more than make a "personal appearance." Petey packs a pulverizing punch, but he also possesses a glass chin, and he seemed to be concentrating on his weakness this evening. Campa doesn't possess Wheatstraw's talents, but the Mexican is a gamester and he forced the milling throughout, even though he wasn't very effective.

Charlie Johnson, 205, Los Angeles Negro veteran, stopped Casey O'Hara, 190, Tulsa, Okla., in the 4th round. Casey was doing all right for himself until decked for 9 in the second heat by an overhand right to the jaw. After that it seemed that Johnson just couldn't miss the Oklahoman with that looping right. Charlie flattened Casey just before the bell, and the big Irishman couldn't come out for the 5th round.

Ramon Ruiz, 122, Mexico, won handily over Pee Wee Lewis, 127, Baltimore Negro, in the opening 6-rounder of this bargain card.

LEST I FORGET—Los Angeles played host during the month to the four most discussed men in the boxing game, Jack Dempsey, Joe Louis, Billy Conn and Eddie Eagan, Chairman of N. Y. Boxing Commission. . . . Dave Landau, promoter of boxing and wrestling in this section during past twenty years, died of a heart attack. Landau was promoting at Redondo Beach at time of death. . . . Johnny Forbes has three likely-looking featherweights under his wing, Nick Diaz, Jeep Anderson and Rudy Sanchez. Diaz, a speedy southpaw, looks like the best bet. . . . Bobby Seamon, veteran middleweight, is back in training for a come-back. George Leonard is again handling him. . . . Joe Waterman, Portland matchmaker, was in L.A. enroute to New York to visit relatives, see a heart specialist, and try to book Gus Lesnevich for a title shot with Joe Kahut, the Northwest sensation. Waterman, a good judge of fighting flesh, says that Kahut is a real fighter. . . . The Manhattan Gym is no more. It was closed last month. Formerly Jack Dempsey's Gym, it was one of the two Los Angeles training quarters that have operated for past twenty years. . . . Young Corbett III, of Fresno, former world's welter champion, was seriously injured in an auto accident, but is recovering. . . . The boys are really coming home. There isn't a day that one or more former boxers don't walk into Willie Orner's gym with their training togs under their arms. . . . So many of our California boxers have performed in out-of-state bouts the past month that space forbids listing them all, so, I am only mentioning a few of the most important fights. . . . Joey Barnum held Willie Joyce to a draw in ten at Chicago. . . . Jules Beck, former RING correspondent of Pittsburgh, is located out here at Redondo Beach. . . . Jimmy McDaniels KO'ed Johnny Jones in 6 at Boston. . . . Pasadena has re-opened with amateur boxing. . . . Willie Orner has certainly dolled up his Main St. Gym. He has put in new rooms, additional lockers, tiled the walls, painted ceilings and floors, etc. And it now being the only pro gym in L.A., it is filled to capacity and busy as a bee-hive. . . . Cleo Shans decisioned Tony Pellone in 8 at New York City. . . . There is a beautiful little arena being erected at Pico, about ten miles from downtown L.A. . . . Wirt (One Shot) Ross, veteran fight manager, is back in the game. He purchased contract of Buddy Millard, that good Negro light-heavy from Indianapolis. . . . The finest looking prospect I have eyed in many moons is one Henry Roberts, an amateur Negro lightweight coached by George Tolson, trainer of John Thomas. Bobby Yaeger and Kenny Watkins. . . . Jimmy Doyle beat Johnny Green in 10 at New York City. . . . It is said that professional boxing is to return to Long Beach next month. . . . Harry Gordon and Joe Stanley, former eastern boxers, and now two of the best known trainers on the Coast, have one of the largest stables of fighters in this section. . . . Chalky Wright whipped Bobby Ruffin in 10 at Detroit. . . . Frankie Russell, best of the local amateur welters three years ago, has been discharged from the Navy and is in training for a pro career. . . . Amateur boxing is to be revived at Santa Ana within a few weeks. . . . There were two deaths resulting from ring contests in this state last month, but they were the first deaths from boxing in California in seven years. . . . Aaron (Tiger) Wade defeated Bert Lytell in 10 at Baltimore. . . . Local amateur boxers to enter pro ranks during the month were Rudy Sanchez, Al Riley, Alex Chavez; Jimmy Turner, Maurice Puzzio, Sal Victor, Kenneth (Nick) Smith and Johnny Martinez.

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IN SAN FRANCISCO RINGS

By ROBERT VALLI

EVERYONE, whether he knew Booker T. Washington personally, or through the fight game, was sorry to hear of the passing of the Negro boxer, following an unconscious period of 53 hours. Washington died of head injuries received in a six-round semi-final bout with Silent Escobar, terrific-punching deaf mute, at the Oakland Auditorium.

In the main go, Earl Turner, Oakland, won on a T.K.O. in five rounds over Irish Johnny Taylor, 38-year-old veteran, in a scheduled ten-rounder.

Referee Joe Gorman stopped the fight when Taylor, groggy and helpless, was reeling from punches to the head and body. Taylor weighed 148, Turner, 150. The gate grossed $11,328.

Other results: Bobby Silva, 154, won over Tony Petro, 151, in six. Nate Huskey won over Luther Johnson, clever Negro, 141, in four. Bobby Jones, 154½, copped the opener from Henry Anderson, 151, in four.

Jackie Ryan, young local welter, drew with Al Vega, Los Angeles Mexican, in a fast fought fight at National Hall.

Ryan won seven rounds in this corner's book, using a fine left jab and right to the body. Ryan weighed 148½, Vega 146.

In the semi-final, Jess Flores, unbeaten ex-amateur champ, 138, kayoed Mike Villanova, 149, in the first round. The fours: Gil Mojica, 168, won by a knockout over Henry Christian, 169, in less than a round; Bobby Silva, 150, decisioned Tony Petro, 153, in a good battle.

Jess Flores, 135, outstanding young scrapper, stopped veteran Joe Gorman, 134, Oaklander, in four rounds of a main event at San Jose's Civic Auditorium. Flores stepped up a few notches in halting the tough Gorman.

Prelims: Eddie Jackson, 185, L. A. Negro heavyweight, T.K.O.'d Eddie Omby, 187, in three rounds; Sammy Hughes, 164, kayoed Al McDonald, 167, in two rounds of a four; Leroy Willis, 137, stopped Don Bredar, 136, in two of the opener.

Hal Blackshear, ancient 'Frisco heavyweight, looked good in stopping George Giambastiani, Los Angeles giant, on a T.K.O. in five rounds at the Oakland Auditorium.

Hal, always a slow starter, scored with a right to Giam's jaw in the fifth, which sent the Italian giant down for eight. Blackshear, cagey, calmly came in for the kill and was socking Giam at will when the referee called a halt. Weights: 206, Blackshear, and 215 for Giambastiani.

In the semi-final, Harold "Red" Rasmussen, a dandy prospect, and future main-eventer, won a hard-fought slugging six-round duke over Sammy Hughes, newcomer from Detroit. Hughes was down in the first from one of Red's terrific lefts.

Vepe Watson, 156, amateur star, won over Tony Petro, 156, hard-hitting Negro, in four. Al Salas, 142, won over Kid Berger, 142, in four. Berger's right name is Boykin Bourgoise.

The largest house ever to pack National Hall, $2888 worth of customers, were on hand to see Tiny Lee, 266-pound giant. Lee stands 6 feet, 7 inches and has not an ounce of fat on his body! Nevertheless he lost, and that was to crafty little Doug Ellison, 185, Oakland Negro, on a badly cut eye in four rounds.

In the eight-round companion feature, Tony Bosnich, 181, and Gil Mojica, 170, put on a furious slugging and boxing bee with both receiving bad facial cuts. Bosnich copped the duke on the strength of a rally in the last two sessions.

Henry Anderson, 151, and Art Robinson, 158, went to a four-round draw; Young Corbett IV, 149, stopped Pete Romero, 145, in the third.

Charley Burley, clever Pittsburgh middleweight, won a dull ten-round decision over Oakland Billy Smith, State 175-pound champ, in the feature at 'Frisco's Civic Auditorium.

Burley, State 160-pound title-holder, put forth his best efforts and could have finished the Oaklander had not the latter hung on and clinched throughout the closing rounds. Weights were: Burley, 160; Smith, 166.

Prelims: Frankie Moore, 136, Oakland Negro, stopped Paul Lassiter, 137½, a veteran, in round one of a sixer. Nate Hulsey, 125, defeated Peter Perry, 135, in four; Al Salas, 138, edged Boykin Bourgoise, 137, in four; Bobby Silva, 156, fast-rising comer, won over Henry Anderson, 150, in the opener.

Doug Ellison, 175, was held to a eight-round draw by Eddie Jackson, 197, Los Angeles, in the co-feature at National Hall. In the other eight, Eddie Halligan, 156, veteran Oakland Negro, won over Top Row Allen, hard-hitting Negro, in a fast fight.

The fours: Nate Huskey, 135, defeated Al Salas, 140, in a close hard-fought fight; Leroy Willis, 138, decisioned Pete Romero, 137½, in the opener.

In a fast, close action-filled fight, Referee Billy Burke called a draw between Paulie Peters and Chet Slider at the Oakland Auditorium.

A crowd that paid $11,211, was split on their favorite. Burke's card read 55 points apiece, while our scoresheet had Peters in front, 57-53.

Slider forced the fight and gained a big edge in the three rounds over his slow-starting opponent. Peters opened up and captured the fourth and fifth. He used with success a solid right to the body which dropped Slider for a no-count. The latter came back and took the sixth, but seemed to tire, while Paulie was just getting stronger. Trying hard to finish the fight, the 'Frisco boy took the seventh and eighth. In the ninth the Negro came out even, but did receive a bloody nose doing it. Slider was exhausted, but finished the tenth and final round. Peters copped the climaxing round easily.

The weights were: Silder, 148; Peters, 155.

In the semi, unbeaten young lightweight Jess Flores, 141, took a six-round nod from Melvin Bartholomew, 140, of New Orleans, by outboxing him in an action scrap. Nate Huskey, 138, unbeaten in his last nine bouts, won over Al Salas, 140½, in four. Huskey had Salas down twice.

Tony Petro, 154, got the nod over Vepe Watson, 155, in four; Bobby Silva, 160, stopped Jimmy Simmons, 151, in the second round. Jimmy Duffy handled the prelims.

Tony Chavez, 136, continued his winning ways by knocking out Vic Young, 136, in the main go at San Jose.

Chavez is coming fast and will hit the top rung in the fistic world in another year. He can box and slug. Chavez won easily over hard-socking Young.

In the semi, Duane Everett, 152, San Diego crowd-pleaser, stopped Jimmy Simmons, 150, in three rounds.

Billy Christian, 146, decisioned Teddy Guerrero, 139, in four.

In the opener, Vince Gommare, 200, surprised by kayoing Billy Gilbert, 222, in three. Gilbert went unbeaten in his first ten fights, but he has been kayoed by unknowns. He should quit.

Jackie Ryan, local Irish welterweight, won a technical knockout over Lincoln Stanley, 148, Oakland, in three rounds at National Hall. It was Stanley's first main event, but it proved disastrous for Lincoln, who received a fractured jaw and couldn't continue. Ryan outboxed and outslugged Stanley from the start and had him reeling on several occasions.

The prelims: Bobby Silva, 158, defeated Tony Petro, 152, in four; Vince Tammaro, 196, took the nod over Edwin Keller, 179, in four; Vepe Watson, 152, and Henry Christian, 161, were thrown out of the ring for stalling in the second.

Nate Bolden, Chicago veteran light-heavyweight, got his hand raised in a bad decisioned fight with Bobby Zander, young Texas sensation, at 'Frisco's Civic Auditorium.

Every paper, sport scribe, etc., had Zander winning at least six rounds. But Referee Frankie Brown had five rounds each and a two-point margin in favor of Bolden. This corner had Zander six rounds, Bolden three and one even.

The undercard, all fours, follows: Nate Huskey, 137, who seems to win four times a week, added Al Garcia, 139, to his impressive record by copping a decision; Bobby Silva, 155, defeated Tony Petro, 153, Negro; Edwin Keller, 180, upset favorite Vince Tuckee, 199, in a fast go; Claude Tuckee, 147½, decisioned Bob Davis in the opener.

Youthful Tony Chavez, up-and-coming lightweight, put a big feather in his hat by outclassing Walter "Cabey" Lewis, Brooklyn veteran, in ten rounds at San Jose's Civic Auditorium.

Chavez's hometown idol has been drawing big crowds at the small arena. He turned in another neat job in winning over a more experienced foe.

Weights were: Chavez, 132½; Lewis, 135.

Prelims: Paul Guerrero, 136, southpaw stablemate of Chavez, stopped Johnny Ortega, 136, in three; Marvin Baker, 190, won over Joe Hudson, 194, in four heats; Laverne Perkins, 174, halted Malt Thomas, 168, in three of the opener.

Jackie King and Steve George's new boxing club, presented its first show at Sacramento and it turned out a success. In the main go of a double ten-headliner, Francis Ogg, local hard-hitting light-heavyweight, won the nod over Leroy Bolden, Negro battler from Vallejo, by decision. Ogg looked very good scoring this win.

In the other ten, Al Botano, 150, Oakland crowd-pleaser, scored a decision over Pedro Jiminez, 152, Vallejo, in a good battle. Botano fought in Eastern rings under the moniker of Al Beltram.

The house grossed $3600, which is great for an initial show.

The undercard was good. Lavelle Perkins, 176, and Rufus Knight, 176, drew in four. Floyd Hagen, 145, defeated Lloyd Wagner, 145, in four; Charlie Beltram, 144, T.K.O.'ed Danny Gonzales, 145, in three of a four.

Paul Jackson, 200, Los Angeles Negro, stopped Wee Willie Williams, 183, Detroit Negro, in six rounds at National Hall. The bout was stopped when Williams claimed a fractured shoulder and couldn't continue. The bout was a sluggish affair, with Jackson in front at the time the bout was stopped.

Nate Huskey, 138, decisioned Kid (Boykin Bourgoise) Berger, 139, in the four-round semi-final; Chuck Ross, 169, defeated Howard Henderson, 165, in four; Young Corbett IV, 150, won over Luther Johnson, 144, in the opener.

SHORT JABS—Henry LaSalle, clever veteran middleweight, will soon return to the ring. Kenny is resting his badly bruised hands. . . . Jay Boust has sold his contract on Pete Lakovich, promising Fresno heavyweight, for $1500. . . . Frank Texeria is now Ray Salas' new manager. He purchased Ray's contract from Billy Newman for an undisclosed sum. Harold Broom will train the classy lightweight for his future fights. . . . Tony Rodriguez, classy and hard-fighting lightweight, has been released and will soon launch his comeback. Sid Flaherty will be his manager.

Youngsters coming fast: Tony Chavez, Nate Huskey, Bobby Silva, Jess Flores, Johnny Ebarb, Jimmy Boggs and Paul Guerrero. All look like a sure-fire to headline at big clubs soon. . . . Flores and Chavez, both lightweights, are the leaders.

Richie Shinn is on a comeback and will start slinging the leather soon. Shinn was a terrific star in the ETO, where he was a champion. He's a sure thing to go places. . . . Bobby Richards, Guido Giametti's flashy featherweight, has been given his honorable discharge from the Navy and will turn civilian pro battler soon. . . . When Richards returns to the ring watch for a crowd-pleasing battle. . . . That's about all for this month. See you soon! . . . Bob Valli, 1910 Mason Street, San Francisco 11, California.

PHILADELPHIA NOTES
By NAT FRANK

THE power of the punch once more made itself felt in the pugilistic world. In this case the man who made the National headlines happens to be Ellis Phillips, who had engaged in only two contests and then was matched with the highly sensational Gus "Pell" Mell, Canadian Clouter, whom he stopped in the third round.

Thus we find Phillips gracing the pugilistic spotlight and a serious menace for the lightweight title.

Joe Gramby is getting together an outstanding stable of glovemen. At the present time he is looking after the business ends for lightweight champion Bob Montgomery, Jackie Floyd, a featherweight, Billy "Chicken" Thompson, Ralph Burnley and Leonard Pate, middleweights, and Edgar Simmons, lightweight.

Johnny Hutchinson, former lightweight contender, and Dick Kane are the men who are training the Gramby glovesters.

Wesley Mouzon, the Tom Montgomery-Gene Buffalo lightweight sensation, climbed another notch in his quest for a crack at the 135-pound title, when he halted Dorsey Lay in one of the most brutal slugging bees ever witnessed. It was a give-and-take duel, but the sharper jabbing of counter-punching of Mouzon finally ripped open the right eye of Lay. The cut was so bad that the doctor at the ringside ordered the battle stopped at the end of the eighth round. This clash took place at Convention Hall, a Herman Taylor promotion.

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On November 5, Billy Arnold fought his way to a unanimous verdict over Ralph "Ripper" Zannelli at another Taylor show. It was a close struggle all the way, but the Bob LaGuardia-Dr. Ralph Primiano warrior proved himself equal to the task of beating off the threats of his New England rival.

Incidentally, the Arnold-Zannelli slugfest was broadcast over the Associates Network, with Sam Taub doing blow by blow, and Joe Cummisky, sports editor of New York's *P. M.*, doing the commercial and rest period comments. The local outlet is Station WIBG.

A pair of old-timers were re-elected to the office of magistrate. They are Eddie Holland, who in addition to having been a better than average pugilist, was a famous promoter, and the highly popular Elias Myers, who battled under the nom-de-plume of Ike Myers.

Now that Billy Fox is out of service, the heavyweight contenders better watch out. In Fox, Frank "Blinky" Palermo has one of the hardest hitting heavyweights in the world. He has belted out every rival and has a record that is the envy of all.

Results of recent bouts:

At Herman Taylor's Convention Hall—Wesley Mouzon, 140, of Philadelphia, stopped Dorsey Lay, 138, of Philadelphia, in eight rounds. Archie Wilmer, 130, of Wilmington, decisioned Frankie Carto, 128½, of Philadelphia, in ten rounds. Sante Bucca, 138½, walloped Hubert Samuels, 138½, both of Philadelphia, in ten rounds. Mario Ochoa, 164, of Cuba, decisioned Bill Thompson, 163, of this city, in six rounds. Otis Graham, 143½, of Philadelphia, knocked out Frankie Conn, 144, of Newark, in the first heat.

At Herman Taylor's Arena—Billy Arnold, 149½, of Philadelphia, won from Ralph "Ripper" Zannelli, 144½, of Providence, in ten rounds. Johnny Wolgast, 122½, of Philadelphia, beat Benny May, 122, of Canada, in eight rounds. Freddy Sammons, 146½, of Chester, knocked out Sam Justine, 146½, of Philadelphia, in six rounds. Jetson Arnold, 134, of Philadelphia, clouted Vinnie Vazzo, 134½, of Boston, in six rounds. Ralph Burnley, 158, of Philadelphia, trounced Johnny Ditto, 163½, of Baltimore, in six rounds.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Paul Febbo, 122, of Philadelphia, shellacked Joe Griffo, 128, of Newark, in eight rounds. Johnny Finney, 170, of Philadelphia, and Archie Coles, 173, of Newark, drew in six rounds. Joe Rodriquez, 126½, beat Red Hull, 122. Lenny Richards 138½, outpointed Jimmy Neil, 136½, in six rounds, while Eddie Germaine, 130, won from Johnny Pitts, 124, in four rounds. All are Philadelphians.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Bill "Jiggs" Donahue, 150, of Philadelphia, stopped Alex Doyle, 153, of Garfield, in six rounds. Willie Alexander, 118, of Chester, won from Jimmy Parlin, 116, of this city, in six rounds. Joe Rodriquez, 124½, halted Bobby Cook, 126½, in three rounds. Roby Roberts, 155, of Newark, beat Bobby Winters, 155, of this city, in six rounds. Joe Fratt, 130, of Chester, outpointed Johnny Pitts, 122, of Philadelphia, in four rounds.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Bill "Jiggs" Donahue, 150, beat Larney Moore, 148½, of New York, in eight rounds. Roughhouse Finney, 182, this city, halted Ray Scully, 190, of Reading, in three rounds. Jimmy Smith, 177, of Philadelphia, knocked out Archie Coles, 176½, of Newark, in three rounds. Joe Rodriquez, 126, this city, beat Larney Moseley, 128, of this city, in six rounds. Billy Hagen, 153½, of this city, defeated Gee Sparry, 149½, of Reading, in four rounds.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Paul Febbo, 121, of this city, beat Jimmy Gatto, 128, of New York, in eight rounds. Vince Lauria, 115½, of Camden, stopped Willie Alexander, 120, of Chester, in three rounds. Choo Choo Derr, 160, of Allentown, knocked out Jimmy Tate, 164, of this city, in one round. Jimmy Parlin, 118, beat Red Hull, 120, both of this city, in six rounds. Joe Fratt, 133, of Chester finished Jimmy Gill, 137, of Philadelphia, in the first round.

At Joe Wenke's Cambria Club—Earl Trader, 126, of Wilmington, decisioned Babe Kelly, 118½, of Riverside, in eight rounds. Leon Szymurski, 172½, of Chester, stopped Jim Robinson, 167, of New York, in five rounds. Norman "Reds" Rahn, 159, beat Sonny King, 150, in six heats. Eddie Germaine, 130, stopped Johnny Pitts, 125, in five rounds. Billy Hagen, 156, finished Willie Hutchins, 152, in one round. All are from Philadelphia.

At Jimmy Toppi's Met—Johnny Walker, 155, of this city, knocked out George "Red" Doty, 153, of Hartford, in five rounds. Willie Thomas, 223, halted Lonnie Clark, 211, in four rounds. Willie Weasel, 128, stopped Danny Russell, 126½, in five heats. Jimmy Long, 177, knocked out Nat Hines, 186½, in four rounds. Johnny Vacca, 126, knocked out Larnie Moseley, 127, in the first round.

At Jimmy Toppi's Met—Lennox Dingle, 146, of Philadelphia, and Freddy Sammons, 146, of Chester, drew in eight rounds. Johnny Allen, 202½, of Philadelphia, beat Larry Lovett, 180, of Baltimore, in six heats. George Hill, 147, of Philadelphia, stopped Pat Patucci, 141½, of Camden, in four rounds. Angelo Ambrosano, 127, beat "Red" Hull, 119, in six rounds. Charley Hilton, 153, stopped Georgie Slater, 160, in five rounds.

At Jimmy Toppi's Met—Wesley Mouzon, 136½, beat Eddie Giosa, 134, in eight rounds. Jimmy Clark, 176, of this city, lasted less than a round against Leon Szymurski, 172½, Chester. Otis Graham, 143½, knocked out Henry McNeil, 143½, in one round. Leonard Pate, 157, of this city, beat Charley Howley, 158½, in six rounds. Eddie West, 135, knocked out Frankie Wetzel, 140, in three rounds.

At Jimmy Toppi's Met—Sante Bucca, 137½, won from George Larover, 138, in eight rounds. Al Johnson, 165, stopped Johnny Long, 171, in four rounds. Johnny Fry, 143, of Chester, stopped Pedro Flores, 150, of this city, in two rounds. McCoy Jones, 141½, kayoed Henry McNeil, 143, in two rounds. Angelo Ambrosano, 129½, and Joe Fratt, 130, of Chester, drew in six rounds.

FROM TRINIDAD, B.W.I.
By RONALD H. PINHEIRO

BOXING FANS received a shock when Kid Tunero of Cuba held the unbeatable Gentle Daniel to a well-earned draw. Up to the tenth round Tunero was leading and it was only a grand comeback in the last two rounds that earned Daniel a draw.

In the supporting bouts: Dynamite Jim, Trinidad middleweight, won a point decision over Ben Eastman of Barbados in eight rounds.

George Pilgrim, lightweight, outpointed Malcom Jordan in eight rounds.

Fearless Freddy, featherweight, K.O.'ed Kid Gunga Din in the sixth and last round.

Kid German, lightweight champion of Barbados, beat Luis Monagas, one of the best lightweights in Venezuela. The bout was contested over ten rounds and the weights were: German, 135; Monagas, 136½.

In another ten-rounder, Al Tunney of Trinidad was held to a draw by Gunner Brathwaite of Barbados. Tunney scaled 142 and Brathwaite, 144.

One of the best fights of the night was a six-rounder between Clive "Baby Face" Daniel, 116, and Al Simms, 117. Daniel won a clear-point decision over the more experienced Simms.

George Pilgrim, 128½, won by a foul from Tiger Flowers, 127.

Cipriani Cox, 137, gained a four-round decision over Joe Seebalack, 142.

NEWS OF TEXAS RINGS
By BILL DAVEE

AT BEAUMONT—Ben Johnson, 160, kayoed Jesus Gomez, 160, three rounds. Ramon Alva, 135, kayoed Douglas Gibson, 135, three rounds. Oliver Hamm, 146, decisioned Marcelino de la Rosa, 140, six rounds. Bill McDowell, 157, beat Julio Cerna, 160, ten rounds.

At Houston—Willie Thompson, 205, decisioned J. W. White, 245, four rounds. Herbert Lane, 165, kayoed Willie B. Tucker, 154, four rounds. Alphonso Brown, 138, kayoed S. B. Daniel, 131, four rounds. Darnell Carter, 130, kayoed Wilford Bobb, 136, five rounds. Al Williams, 164, and Willie Smith, 166, drew, ten rounds.

At San Antonio—Chuey Rodriguez, 124, decisioned Joe Robinson, 128, four rounds. Ben Johnson, 165, kayoed Ramon Beeson, 158, one round. Ignacio Ortiz, 140, kayoed Donald Keck, 144, two rounds. Ramon Alva, 128, kayoed Johnny Greggs, 134, three rounds. Kid Azteca, 152½, decisioned Arthur Dorrell, 150, ten rounds.

At Houston—Vincent Mazac, 145, stopped Reuben Guerra, 146, two rounds. Alphonso Brown, 138, kayoed Euard Baloney, 137, one round. Nash Ortiz, 142, and Oliver Hamm, 145, drew, six rounds. Ben Johnson, 159½, kayoed Julio Cerna Rodriguez, 163¾, four rounds. Paul Altman, 152, flattened Chino Rodriguez, 150¾, five rounds.

At El Paso—Francisco Serrano, 115, and Edwardo Sarabia, 112½, drew, four rounds. Luis Arguelles, 138, decisioned Antonio Montelonge, 132¼, four rounds. Rito Torres, 126½, decisioned Manuel Marmolego, 124½, four rounds. Samuel Andrade, 126, decisioned Vince Padilla, 127, four rounds. Pedro Ibarra, 135½, kayoed Eddie Reyes, 136½, two rounds; Manny Ortega, 128, defeated Juan Leonos, 125, ten rounds.

At Houston—Walter Turner, 170, knocked out Alex Mitchell, 179, two rounds. Raymond Walker, 148, decisioned Alphonso Brown, 148, six rounds. Darnell Carter, 132, kayoed Henry Wallace, 132, seven rounds.

On another card presented the following night, Wallace Bates, 142, decisioned Raymond Walker, 148, four rounds. Donald Keck, 151, kayoed Jesse Gomez, 152, two rounds. Douglas Gibson, 130, whipped Pancho Martinez, 128, six rounds. Joe Passante, 145½, kayoed Oliver Hamm, 144, two rounds. Paul Altman, 153, halted Aldo Spoldi, 143, three rounds.

Boxers and managers desiring information of boxing in the state may receive same by contacting the writer at 342 Moore Bldg., San Antonio, Texas.

Nat Fleischer Says:

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to hit the spotlight. Who is the Kid? None other than Marcus Lockman who began his professional career in 1941 and quit the ring for the bigger fight against the Japs, after having engaged in twenty-six ring contests with only six defeats. When he was discharged recently, he started his comeback campaign in New Jersey, where during a hot mix-up, some galleryite called him "Kid Chicken" because of his quick action, and the name has stuck to him since. He has won eight of his nine recent fights, one being a draw. He is a clever boy, a most brilliant performer, one the fans are pleased to see.

Marcus had two fights in 1943 when he drew with Tommy Bell in Detroit and beat Chet Slider in California. During his three years in the army he carried off the middleweight and light-heavyweight crowns of the South Pacific. Shelton Bell was his victim in the heavier class and Chico Romo was defeated by Marcus for the middleweight honors.

Lockman served with the 93rd Division at Guadalcanal, New Guinea and Bougainville. A member of his division was Wildcat Henry, the welter sensation managed by Jack Barrett. It was Lockman's outfit that saved Henry's company from being wiped out in an ambush. The 93rd Division is proud of its two ranking ringmen, Lockman and Henry, and expects much from these Negro battlers before their retirement.

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THE latest contribution to boxing literature is a biography, "Joe Louis, American," written by Margery Miller, a Wellesley College graduate. The author has turned out a story on the life of the Brown Bomber, far different from the biographies that have hitherto been published. Her story is one of human interest that takes the reader through all the cycles in Joe's life, from his humble birth, through his early schooling and his work at the Ford Motor plant in Detroit, along his rise from an obscure amateur to the winning of the world heavyweight championship, a million dollar attraction.

Though there is nothing new in her book, the first she has written, Miss Miller's portraiture of the Brown Bomber is different from the usual treatment given the subject by sports scribes. She tells her story simply and clearly with a touch that retains the interest throughout. I highly recommend the book to those who seek a complete life story of the world heavyweight champ.

Mecca of Mayhem

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"After that," Tex concluded, "Jim used to kid us and pester about some more of 'them thar handshakin' assignments."

A pall of silence envelops the now almost empty gymnasium. Only Lou Stillman and his efficient manager, Jack Curley, are present. Lou Stillman has been conducting a gymnasium in New York for over thirty years, or ever since Alpheus Geer and Hiram Mallinson induced him to run one for the Marshall Stillman Movement, an organization devoted to the rehabilitation of convicted men. Marshall and Stillman were the names of Geer's grandparents.

Stillman's real name is Louis Ingber, but everybody called him Mr. Stillman at the old place, and when it became necessary for him to take it over as a private undertaking the name was too valuable to be changed.

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I ASKED Stillman whether he ever took a vacation, since every time I have visited his boxing landmark I have seen him on the job.

"I'm afraid it can't be done. You see I run this gym as a personal problem. I personally take charge of everything here. I leave nothing to others when my attention should be given to it, and I play no favorites. The ordinary novice and palooka get the same treatment that I give to the top lads. A preliminary boy some day may become the champ, is the way I look upon the fighter and therefore I treat him with the same respect as I do the ranking men of the game.

"For thirty odd years I have been doing this and nothing can change me now. I stay on the job day after day—Saturdays, holidays, Sunday, rain, shine or snow. That gym is just me and I couldn't desert it for a vacation."

"Did Jack Dempsey do much training here?" I inquired of the master of Eighth Avenoo's Emporium of Sock.

"Yes, often. He was the greatest fellow in the history of the sport in my book. Often when I needed a friend badly, he was the one to come to the rescue. He would call up and ask: 'How are things, Lou?'

"Not so good, I would tell him. And he'd reply: 'Don't worry pal. Pass the word around that I'll be up to do some training today.'

"And before Jack got here, the place would be jammed with scribes and patrons who had learned of Dempsey's intention.

"How that fellow could draw 'em in! Only once in all my career did I see anyone who could pack 'em in here in greater numbers than did Jack and that was the day when Primo Carnera, led by Bill Duffy and Leon See, brought Primo Carnera here for his first workout. Italians came to the gym from all parts of the city. They flocked to Eighth Avenue in such numbers, I had to call upon the police to keep order. Even women with babes in their arms came to see Satchel Feet. The place was jammed as never before or since and I should judge that 2,000 persons were chased from the avenue by the bluecoats."

Stillman declares crowds attending workouts are the best barometer on attendance at a boxing show, and contends he can guess the size of the gate within a few hundred dollars after watching them for three or four days.

He never saw a fighter who enjoyed training as much as Dempsey, and names Johnny Dundee as the most extraordinary boxer he ever looked at in a gym. Several years back the renowned Scotch-Wop skipped rope an hour and ten minutes to beat Babe Herman in a contest. Lou timed the boys and did the counting.

There were many unique happenings in the old place, and one of the strangest was Soldier Bartfield and Frank Carone winding up what started as a friendly workout kicking and biting each other on the floor. It was all half a dozen huskies could do to pull them apart.

"Boxing is a great sport," wound up Lou. "There is nothing wrong with it or the thousands who attend the shows all over the country wouldn't be spending millions per year to see the men in action."

Hitting the Spotlight

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ELLIS PHILLIPS

THE upsetting of the proverbial applecart was nothing in comparison with the one lightweight Ellis Phillips scored at the St. Nicholas Arena on October 19, when he knocked out Gus "Pell" Mell, highly favored Canadian lightweight, in three thrill-packed rounds. A hurriedly acquired substitute, Phillips was not given an outside chance to stand off the hard-punching and fast-boxing kid from Montreal, who had been battering his way to the top by beating the best in his division. Smart money, in fact, backed Mell to halt the Philadelphia Negro in five or six heats. The fight, while it lasted, was interesting from a scientific angle as well as full of excitement. By winning so decisively, Ellis, who has lost a number of close battles, got back into the fistic spotlight where he hopes to remain.

Born in Luisa, Va., on May 4, 1920, he was brought up in North Philadelphia, where he quit high school at 16 to work in Herman Diamond's grocery store.

Phillips, who is now a resident of Germantown, Pa., said his ambition was to be a fighter from the time he was in his early teens. "I had 21 amateur contests, but," admitted Ellis with a frank smile, "I wasn't so good. Fact is, I won only six fights. So Mr. Diamond and I decided that I might as well box as a pro—and get paid for losing. Well, in my first pro battle in September 1939, I was knocked out in one round."

Ellis was married the following day. He was 19 then. About six weeks later he returned to the ring and he knocked out six opponents before dropping a duke to Joe Amico. After losing another fight in 1940, he battled along for two years without a loss. He beat his two conquerers, Amico by decision and Johnny Buff by a kayo. He trounced Vince Dell 'Orto 4 times, kayoed and drew with Frankie Donato, beat Johnny Marcelline; also Pete Scalzo, former featherweight champ, twice, in ten round bouts.

"Ellis didn't do so well in 1944," related manager Herman Diamond. "He lost ten-rounders to Lulu Costantino and Bobby Ruffin, in Philly, and was halted by Roman Alvarez in Madison Square Garden. Phillips lost seven out of eleven bouts that year. He beat Frankie Carto, Dorsey Lay, Cleo Shans and flattened Donnie Maes."

Lightweight champ Ike Williams kayoed him before the bout got well started. Then he lost to Julie Kogon, Al Guido, Cleo Shans, Eddie Giosa and Mike Delia.

"Mr. Diamond then decided I needed a good rest," explained Phillips. "So I took it easy until a few months ago, when I began to feel the itch to fight again. I kayoed Al Cella in 2 heats last September, lost an 8-rounder to Eddie Giosa the following month and knocked out Gus Mell. That was my 45th pro battle."

BROADCAST FROM NEW YORK

By IRVING RUDD

FRITZIE ZIVIC should be persuaded to hang up the gloves for good! We know that the once great welterweight king has been urged to quit many times before, but his recent defeats at the hands of Joe Reddick and Freddie Archer are definitely the last straws.

At the age of 32 and finishing his 14th recorded year of pro fighting, Fritzie is more than comfortably fixed. He is as shrewd outside the roped square as he is inside, and is reputed to have invested his earnings wisely and well. Why does he box?

Perhaps it's hard for Zivic to quit when he's still a terrific drawing card and can pick up an easy two thousand or more here and there. However, that's where our grievance with Zivic lies. Instead of the flashy, cute, sharpshooting scrapper who was once king of the welters, the customers see a game shell of a one-time great going through the motions, satisfied to stick it out and avoid mixing with his foe. Zivic fights with measured carefulness as if each fight may be his last.

We agree that Fritzie can still whip most of the second raters and some of the top-flight fighters if he shows some of his old-time verve, but when the records show that he's dropped eight out of his last nine scraps against men who couldn't lick one side of him five years ago, it's time the cute Croat quit. Reddick, who pounded him at will, was kayoed twice before facing Zivic. If Fritzie should again fight at Ridgewood Grove, where the Reddick bout took place, Zivic wouldn't draw his breath.

In the Archer fight, he was outbulled, outroughed and spun off balance by sharp blows several times.

Joe Waterman, Portland, Oregon, promoter, came to New York for the first time in more than 18 years. He visited THE RING offices and raved about Joe Kahut, the young light-heavyweight, whom he referred to as the greatest fighter developed in the Far West since Leo Lomski.

Could he, Waterman wondered, lure some Eastern topnotchers out to Portland to fight Kahut? THE RING Editor, Nat Fleischer, quickly countered with, "How about a title shot with Gus Lesnevich?" The amazed Waterman gasped. In less time than it takes to read this piece, Nat was on the phone talking with Lesnevich's pilot. The match will probably take place in late January or early in February. Lesnevich is to receive a guarantee of $30,000.

This is not the first time the good offices of THE RING boss has been invoked to stimulate boxing interest throughout the world. It was Nat who closed for the Armstrong-Roderick fight in London several years ago, as well as a few other titular tilts and other great matches in Cuba, Venezuela, Australia and South Africa.

Solly Krieger, former N.B.A. world's middleweight champion, has opened a steak house at 92 Second Avenue in Manhattan. . . . Krieger hopes to make it an outstanding rendezvous for the sporting crowd. . . . Chickie Bogad, one-time assistant matchmaker for Mike Jacobs, is in from the Pacific Coast with a good string of scrappers. . . . Eddie Hudson for one. . . . Chick will hook up with Rocky Graziano's pilot, Ivy Cohen, in booking boxers. . . . Dick Vick is out of the Army after 34 months of service and hopes to activate his stable soon. . . . Siggie Lander, refugee welter star of several years ago, is singing the praises of 18 year old Jimmy Nicholson a lightweight, whom he will manage when both are discharged from the service. . . . Siggie was among the first in on the capture of Von Runstedt and served as interpreter for the Nazi general.

The training camp at White Sulphur Springs in Saratoga made famous by Tom Luther, will reopen in the Spring with Ernie Cariggi as the proprietor. . . . Dempsey, Tunney, Firpo, Leonard, and in recent years Bob Pastor, are among the fistic greats who trained there. Frankie Fay of the **World Telegram** has an interest in the camp.

Dewey Fragetta, who booked more than 50 fighters and represented over 25 clubs throughout the country before enlisting in the Army four years ago, is back on the boxing beat and has purchased the contract of Tommy Rotolo as a starter for a new stable. . . . Bobby Ruffin has begun managing fighters and is now seeking bouts for his bantam "tiger", Archie Devino. . . . Charlie Gomer, handsome Baltimore lightweight, who mingled with good mittmen like Red Cochrane, Davey Day, and Mike Belloise is a patient at Tilton General Hospital, New Jersey. . . . Charlie lost part of his left hand with the infantry in Europe. . . . Another amputee from the fight ranks, courageous Pete Montesi, has acquired complete facility of his artificial arm and leg and expects to receive his first furlough from England General Hospital soon.

Major Mark Conn, New York Golden Gloves lightweight king in 1936, is back in New York seeking a referee's license. . . . Conn who was known as the "Mike Jacobs of the Orient" staged and refereed more than 300 G.I. fistic tournaments. . . . He also won the welterweight title of China. . . . He is an excellent referee and should receive a New York post.

Irv Jaffe, Olympic skating star of yesteryear, is a weekly visitor to the St. Nicks. . . . Unobserved, he sits alone, where twenty years ago sports fans would have mobbed him for his autograph. . . . Unless we're mistaken, that exhibition bout between Cleo Shans and Nunzio Ferraro at the Cherry Point, North Carolina Marine base, was the first mixed match below the Mason-Dixon line in the history of boxing. . . . Here's an oddity. . . . When Phil Shapiro returned from Mexico he heralded the addition of Baudelio Valencia, a middleweight to his stable. . . . Tagging along was an obscure lightweight, Humberto Zavala, of whom nothing great was expected. Valencia is still on the small club circuit doing so-so. . . . Zavala is now in line for some important matches after his sensational win over Cleo Shans. . . . Lt. Theodore M. Rogers, son of Nat Rogers, 20th Century S.C. matchmaker, has received two Presidential Citations as a member of 552nd Signal Corps Depot. . . . Lt. Rogers is now stationed in Korea. . . . Important! If Jack Lester, a heavyweight, who boxed between 1910 and 1914, sees this item, there's important news waiting for him at THE RING offices.

Pal Silvers, Brooklyn boxer who began leather pushing twenty years ago and grew from a welter into a heavyweight, has been okayed for a boxing license. . . . Silvers was a good sparmate for Joe Louis several years ago. . . . Something should be done about the pests who infest the press row at local clubs. . . . Actors, cloak-and-suiters and politicians; everyone but working newspapermen get the choice locations. . . . How come?

Al "Bummy" Davis, Brownsville bullyboy, has announced his retirement from the ring and will concentrate on training several race horses which he owns. . . . We still maintain that Davis was one of the most grossly misunderstood personalities of the ring. . . . This writer, who knew him intimately, can vouch for the fact that when the false veneer of tough bravado, a result of his slum environment, was wiped away, "Bummy" was on the whole a likeable, square-shooting sort of a guy.

And now for the results of the month at Metropolitan clubs:

Madison Square Garden reopened to boxing after a lapse of six weeks, and a crowd of 17,302 paying $94,433, watched Johnny Greco, 145, Montreal, batter out a one-sided eight round decision victory over Tony Janiro, 144, of Youngstown, Ohio.

This was the third and rubber encounter between the two, and Greco, a 12 to 5 underdog, showed a complete reversal of form from his last sluggish performance against Janiro. Greco, when he wants to pour it on, really can go to town.

Joltin' Johnny scored with a left hook to the head at the opening gong, a feat he was to repeat at the beginning of each ensuing round. Janiro was down for a no-count in this round which went to the Canadian. The second and third frames were Tony's. The classy youngster, standing flat-footed, peppered and stung Johnny several times to take these two heats by comfortable margins.

It was Janiro's flat-footed stance and refusal to box and keep moving, despite entreaties from his second Ray Arcel, that made the fifth canto an unusually rough one for the baby-faced welter. Greco scored at will with smashing left hooks to the head. The next round was a nightmare for Janiro as Greco kept landing with smashing left hooks to the face which made Tony very groggy.

Janiro was dumped for a no count again in the seventh round but withstood Greco's constant pounding with hefty wallops, and managed to stick it out. The final frame was all Greco, who was awarded a unanimous decision by Referee Ruby Goldstein and Judges George LeCron and Joe Agnello.

George "Red" Doty, 152, Hartford, Conn., opened an ugly gash over Al LaBarba's eye in the fourth of a scheduled sixer, and Referee Ruby Goldstein was forced to call a halt in the following round. The time was 2:23. LaBarba, 144, was holding his own, and protested bitterly when Goldstein stepped in; but then won a rousing ovation from the crowd when he walked over to the referee and shook his hand, thanking him for his intervention.

Moses Lee, better known as Pedro Firpo, of Camden, N. J., whipped Eddie Hudson, Los Angeles, in a spirited six. Firpo, 131½, dropped Hudson, 135 for a no-count in the third. Danny Carabella, 120, Bronx, nosed out Filberto Osario, 124½, Puerto Rico, in a third six.

Two fours staged after the main go resulted in victory for Joey Carkido, 133½, Youngstown, who halted Jimmy Cogman, 132½, Newark, and Nick Primiani, 137½, Montreal, who decisioned Orlando Ferraro, 140, Stamford, Conn. Patsy Zoccano, 142, Montreal, kept the slate clean for Canada when he defeated Julian Malavez, 141½, Harlem, in the four round opener.

The "Hurricane" turned out to be but a gentle zephyr, as Aaron "Tiger" Wade waded into Vincent "Hurricane" Jones and belted him out in 2:36 of the second round in what was billed as the ten round star bout at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Jones, 155½, a last-minute sub for Ossie Harris, was completely outclassed as the pudgy little California Negro blasted away with short, hard rights to the jaw, coupled with some hefty body blows. Wade, who weighed 161, drew blood in the opening canto, and after he had dropped his man four times, Referee Young Otto called it a night for Jones.

In the semi-final slated for eight rounds, Joe Robleto, 130½, from Los Angeles, had things pretty much his own way against Richie Myashiro, 125½, Honolulu, whom he stopped in 1:31 of the fourth frame. Myashiro was willing and game but Joe jolted him time and again, cutting his eye and dumping him three times before the referee decided Richie had taken enough.

Juan Carrero, 136, Puerto Rico, and Joe Nuccio, 138, New Orleans, slugged away for six interesting rounds with the latter eking out a close win. The four round prelims saw Benny Davis, 158¼, Harlem, punch out a decision over Paulie Mann, 153½, Brooklyn, Rudy Madora, 123½, Brooklyn, copped over Tony Pontillo, 126, Bronx, and Jimmy Parks, 153½, whipped Harold Allo, 149½, Buffalo.

Cleo Shans, 138½, Los Angeles Negro, employing his usual rugged milling style, packed too much power for youthful Tony Pellone, 138, of Greenwich Village, and copped the decision in the feature eight round bout at the Broadway Arena before a record house. More than 4,000 fans stormed their way into the Brooklyn biff bistro to set a new record gate receipt mark of $7,367.

Pellone started well, taking the first round by a wide margin with sharp punches to the head. Shans' class and experience soon told however, and Cleo clouted Tony relentlessly, especially in the third round, when he rocked his foe with a hail of leather almost at will. Pellone, who made his pro debut at the Broadway Arena only a year ago, kept trying gamely until the final bell.

The decision was unanimous with Referee Teddy Martin scoring it seven rounds to Shans, one for Tony. Judges Joe Agnello and Sammy Rosenblatt each scored it six to two for the California Negro.

Patsy Zoccano, 142, Montreal, trounced Steve D'Apoli, 140½, Greenwich Village, in the semi-final six. Another six saw Jay Paganelli, 160, Belleville, N. J., easily punch out a win over Lee Black, 158½, Harlem. Filberto Osario, 124½, Puerto Rico, won a close one from Mannie Camarillo, 121½, of Mexico City, in a third six-rounder.

The fours featured a knockout which Ben Russ, 173, Newark, scored over Hugh Murphy, 168¼, Bronx, in thirty-five seconds of the third; while Ray Parker, 139½, eked out a win over George Baltieri, 142, Brownsville, in a corking scrap which saw both men hit the canvas.

Phil Palmer, popular Vancouver, B.C., welterweight, won a unanimous but unpopular decision over Joey Peralta, Tamaqua, Pa., in the main event of eight rounds at the Park Arena. Peralta, weighing 146¾, took the bout on short notice as a sub, and was way off his best fighting form. Palmer, who spotted the veteran 6½ pounds, finished strong to rack up his second victory over Peralta.

Billy Morris, 153, Baltimore, decisioned Rudy Richardson, 155, Bronx, in the eight round semi-final. A special six saw Freddie Patterson, 151, Rochester, returned the winner over Len Taglia, 153, Utica.

Three scheduled fours failed to go the route. Jimmy Cogman, 134, Newark, stopped Tony Ferrara, 131, in the third. Milton Lattimore, 151½, Beacon, N. Y., halted Baby Alvarez, 148, in forty seconds of the second round, and Tommy McVey, 183¾, Bronx, kayoed Connie Jeffrey, 195, in 2:38 of the third.

After holding Louis Rousse, 153½, New Orleans, even for six rounds, Vince La Salva, 149½, Mt. Vernon, suffered a bad cut over his left eye, and was stopped in 1:37 of the seventh round of a scheduled eight rounder at the White Plains County Center. Referee Joe Vaccarelli acted wisely in halting the scrap, although it was a heartbreaker for Vince.

Eddie Murphy, 136½, former Golden Gloves champion, made it 15 straight victories since turning pro, when he whipped Nick Primiani, 137¼, in six rounds. Another slated six ended in the final frame when Ralph Dougherty, 154½, West Side, stopped Johnny Harvey, 160, Bronx, in 2:11. Freddie Yeager, 135, East Side, knocked out Leroy Saunders, 140½, Harlem, in 1:58 of the second. In fours, Julie Cross, 154, Brooklyn, defeated Lew Perez, 159, Puerto Rico and Joe Griffo, 132, East Side, won from Frankie Palermo, 134, Brooklyn. About 5500 fans contributed to a gate of $6,406.

Al Guido will be tasting leather for months to come. Without so much as a "pardon my glove," Tony Janiro, classy Youngstown youngster, stabbed the Bronx boxer silly for eight straight sessions at the St. Nicholas Arena to win the rubber match before a crowd of 4,283 fans.

Guido, who was the first man to defeat Janiro in an earlier match, was completely outclassed in this fight. The flashy Tony, employing his usual smooth style, left-handed Al monotonously with little or no opposition throughout the fight. During the last three rounds the crowd hooted for Janiro to finish his man as Guido kept catching punches from all angles. Janiro, at 145½, outweighed his rival by 5½ pounds.

Taking a leaf from Janiro's book, Al Mobley, 141¼, of Newark, N. J., jabbed his way to a six round win over rugged Johnny Ricco, 144, Los Angeles. Ricco packed the more potent wallop of the two but Al kept him off balance with his educated portside poke.

A right to the ribs at :27 of the fourth frame, took all the fight out of Frank Foley, 141½, New Haven, in his scheduled sixer with Enrique Lopez, 142, Mexico. Until Lopez landed, the scrap was fairly even. In the third six round bout staged after the main go, Diogenes Leon, 124, Puerto Rico, defeated Benny Daniels, 129, Brooklyn.

Joe Carkido, 132, Youngstown, O., recovered from a rather rough first round to score a sensational fourth round knockout over Lou Prince, 131, Princeton, N. J. The time was 1:36.

The second four was an interesting affair in which Charley Hilton, 155½, Philadelphia, was awarded the duke over Julie Cross, 154, Brooklyn. From this corner, Cross appeared to be the better boxer and scored more frequently. The opener ended in a knockout when Patsy Franco, 140, Newark, stopped Jimmy Cogman, 136, also from Newark, in :44 of the third round.

Fritzie Zivic, ex-welterweight champion of the world, weighing 152¾, displaying little more than cool defensive skill and courage, took a ten round pounding from Joe Reddick, 153½, of Paterson, in the featured fight at the Ridgewood Grove. Reddick, taking advantage of Zivic's lethargy, crowded Fritzie throughout the fight and scored with plenty of hard smashes to the head and body.

This scribe saw it 8 rounds to 2 with Reddick the winner, as did Judge Charlie Rosen. Joe Schechter, the other judge, had it closer, with Reddick copping 6 rounds and Zivic four. Referee Harry Ebbetts had five and five—with Zivic as the winner.

In the semi-final of six rounds Jimmy Davis, 158, Pittsburgh, outmauled Johnny Smith, 155, of Boston. Nick Primiani, 137, Montreal, outpunched Julio Malavez, 141, Puerto Rico, in a six round bout. Marty Clark, 203, New York, encountered little opposition in stopping Jimmy Davenport, 187½, also of New York, in 2:18 of the second round. Clark dropped his man three times. Two fours rounded out the card. Benny Davis, 159½, beat Johnny King, 154½, while Ellis Simley, 138½, defeated Jimmy Cagni, 136½.

Crouching cagily, while biding his time, Ellis Phillips, Philadelphia Negro lightweight, survived the sharpest shots fired at him by youthful Gus (Pell) Mell of Montreal, and then seeing his opening, Ellis lashed out with a terrific left hook to stiffen his opponent in 1:21 of the third round of a scheduled ten round go.

The highly-heralded Mell who was a 5 to 1 favorite, waded right into the Philadelphian, lashing savagely at Ellis with vicious short lefts and rights to the head. Phillips kept bobbing and weaving and trying to roll with most of Mell's punches. The tipoff on things to come, was a neatly-planted left to Gus' whiskers which dumped him for a one-count in the first frame. Mell came back in the second to swarm all over Phillips who was content to crouch and weave. In the fatal third, Mell was busily engaged in jolting Phillips' head with well-timed wallops, when the Negro nailed him with a pip of a left to flatten him. Mell weighed 137½, while Phillips, who was a sub for Pat Scanlon, scaled two pounds less.

Another upset occurred in the eight-round semi-windup when the highly regarded Joe Robleto, Los Angeles, 131, was whipped by hard-fighting Filberto Osario, Puerto Rico, 124½.

Hal Glassman, Philadelphia, 186½, stopped Connie Jeffrey, Bronx, in 2:54 of the fourth of a scheduled six. Jeffrey hit the canvas five times and Referee Ruby Goldstein stopped the fight. Ray Parker, Brooklyn, 137, recovered from a shaky start to starch Morris Elliott, Hartford, Conn., 141¾, in 2:37 of the third of a slated four. Two other fours went the distance with Julie Cross, 155¼, Brooklyn, reversing a previous loss to Charlie Hilton, Philadelphia, 154½, and Lou Prince, Princeton, N. J., 130, defeated Lou Suliveres, New York, 134¾.

Punching consistently to the head and body, Lenny "Boom Boom" Mancini, 150¼, Youngstown, Ohio, scored an impressive win over Patsy Spataro, 142¾, Bronx, in the main event of eight rounds at the Broadway Arena.

Mancini, whose remarkable recovery from four severe wounds suffered in the Metz campaign has amazed boxing experts, displayed all of his old-time pre-war ability. The "White Armstrong" kept winging punches without letup throughout the fight and showed he is ready for top-flight opposition. Spataro tried gamely to cope with Mancini's windmill style, but except for the second and final rounds when he landed a few clean, effective blows Patsy was completely outclassed.

Lew Perez, 160, clowned and clouted his way to a six round decision victory over Baudelio Valencia, 159. Tony Del Gatto, 159½, won in a slugfest from Freddy Lott, 161, in another sixer. In a third six, Sid Haber, 142½, beat Patsy Zoccano, 143. Benny Davis, 161¼, whipped Lou Denton, 166, in a four spot while in the curtain raiser Nat Hutchins, 144½, walloped Jerry Heimowitz, 148½.

Joey LaMotta, younger brother of Jake, loomed as a potential middleweight threat, when he disposed of the more seasoned Andres (Indian) Gomez in workmanlike fashion in 2:41 of the second round in the feature fray at the Park Arena, Bronx.

A near-capacity crowd saw kid Joey, weighing 156½, crash a thunderous one-two to rock the rugged Indian to sleep. Gomez, who weighed 163, has tangled with some pretty good middleweights, thereby making this a most impressive win for the younger LaMotta.

The semi-final ended abruptly in 2:30 of round one as Cleo Everett, 202¾, belted out Charles Koerkle, 187, Bayonne, N. J. Frankie Palermo, 134½, Bronx, had the edge over Oscar Lewis, 132, Newark, in a second six round bout. Bob Boucher, 147¾, Nebraska, a former service pilot, landed on Steve Bilko, 146, Sayreville, N. J., and grounded him at the start of the fourth round. Johnny King, 152, Harlem, defeated Charlie Howard, 149, Pittsburgh, in a four round struggle.

Lou Woods, Detroit middleweight, made his Eastern debut a most auspicious one by pounding out an eight round decision victory over tough Coolidge Miller at the White Plains County Center. Woods, who holds a win over Tommy Bell, out-boxed and out-punched Miller all the way. The Detroiter weighed in at 157, while Miller scaled 166¼.

Francisco Colon Garcia, 119½, Puerto Rico, knocked out Jimmy Jeanette, 117¾, Kentucky, in 2:11 of the fourth round in the semi-final.

Another six failed to go the route when Freddie Yeager, 135, Port Chester, N. Y., knocked out Johnny Gebert, 134½, Freeport, L. I., in 2:41 of the third. Al Galguet, 167½, Newark, N. J., outpointed Johnny Harvey, 161, Port Chester, N. Y., over the six round route, while Tony Pontillo, 129, New York, defeated Joey Dell, 127¾, New Haven, in a four.

Cleo Shans, 137¼, Los Angeles, and Humberto Zavala, 136¾, Mexico, hooked up in one of the toughest ten round tussles of the year at the St. Nicholas Arena before a crowd of 3,871 fans. Zavala copped this fiercely fought brawl, although many, including the writer, felt Shans had a very slight edge.

Humberto the underdog quickly set the pace when he easily won the first two rounds. He puzzled Shans time and again by switching to a southpaw stance and peppering the Coast Negro with bothersome rights and stinging lefts. The third was a closely fought round. Shans seemed to do a bit better as the bout wore on. In the fifth frame, clouting Cleo really went to town. He belabored Zavala with hard belts to the body, rocked the Mexican with some sharp head punching, and opened up a nasty gash on Humberto's left eye to close the round.

It was a closely fought fight with Shans always the aggressor from bell to bell. The wily Zavala, however, would always stop back-pedaling to befuddle Shans as he belabored him with a rapid-fire flurry of punches. The decision of Referee Benny Leonard and Judges Charley Shortell and George LeCron was unanimous.

Another hard-fought go was the eight round semi-windup which saw Verne Esco, 183½, Toronto, outpunch Jimmy Gardner, 177½, Philadelphia. Gardner appeared ready for the cleaners upon more than one occasion, but he came back gamely to hold off the determined Esco. A great prospect was unveiled in the person of Wendy Wilson, 148, New York, who dropped and drubbed Jerry Wright, 152, Harlem, in a six spot. Wilson, making his pro debut, floored Wright twice.

Mayhew Smith, 147, Harlem, stopped Jimmy Anest, 141½, New York, in 1:32 of the final round of a six round scrap.

Two fours failed to go the distance when Patsy Franco, 139¾, Newark, stopped Ray Parker, 136¾, Brooklyn, in :26 of the second round, and Tony Pontillo, 129, Bronx, knocked out Danny Ventrano, 130, Bronx, in 2:38 of the second round.

Irish Billy Walker, 160, Portland, Oregon, had his hands full winning a close, hard-fought feature eight from Danny Martin, 165, Newark, at the Ridgewood Grove. Martin was a last-minute replacement for Joe Governale.

The semi-final of six rounds was a lively affair wherein Al LaBarba, 145¼, Bronx, defeated Enrique Lopez, 142½, Mexico. In a second six, Danny Carabella, 124¾, Bronx, whipped Georgie Knox, 128, Newark.

Harry Berntsen, promising Norwegian heavyweight, added Johnny Willard to his fast-growing list of knockout victims. Berntsen at 211 pounds flattened Willard, 203¾, in 1:39 of the second round. The fourth six resulted in victory for Al Victorian, 139, New York, when he beat Rocco Rossano, 145, Brooklyn.

Nick Melli, 152½, Brooklyn, decisioned Charley Howard, 148, Harlem, in the opening four rounder.

The injury jinx also struck the 20th Century matchmaker, Zunk Serlin, when Vinnie Rossano, scheduled to face Tony Riccio in the star bout of ten rounds at the St. Nicholas Arena, showed up at the weigh-in with a broken finger.

Rough and tough George Red Doty of Hartford, Conn., was rushed in a few hours before fight time and turned in a most surprising, pleasing performance. Packing a dangerous right, the rugged redhead kept pounding away at Riccio's body in the early rounds. Riccio kept outpunching his man at close quarters, and as Doty began to fade in the last half of the fight, Tony kept coming on to cop the decision. A near capacity crowd contributed to a gate of $6,945. Riccio, from Bayonne, N. J., weighed 152½, three pounds less than his rival.

In the semi-final eight, Art McAlpine, 182¼, Springfield, Mass., defeated Carl Eppinger, 190, East Side. Johnny Smith, 155, Boston, ignored the clowning tactics of Lew Perez, 161¾, Puerto Rico, to win in another six. Benny Daniels, 127, Brooklyn, outpointed Mike Gravino, 128, Canada, in a four spot, while Patsy Zoccano, 142, Montreal, shaded Freddie Bernard, 138, Akron, Ohio, in

another four. The third four was a tug of war between Patsy Bertucci, 150¼, Brooklyn, who outmauled and outpushed Miguel Arroya, 152, Mexico City.

The first draw since Commissioner Eagan adopted the point system of scoring in New York State was recorded when Jerry Heimowitz, 143, and Morris Elliott, 143, Stamford, Conn., battled on even terms in a four rounder.

Morris Reif, stiff-socking Brownsville welterweight, slated to box Al Davis in the Garden in December, gave his corner some mighty anxious moments in a thrilling slugfest with Johnny Rinaldi at the Broadway Arena. A packed house cheered as the rugged Rinaldi danced out confidently in the first frame and snapped Reif's head back with two left jabs. The boys clinched and Rinaldi banged away confidently without regard for Reif's rep.

They mixed in a neutral corner and Rinaldi brought the crowd to its feet when he dropped a right on Morris' jaw almost driving him to his knees. Then Reif got going. He slammed home some vicious body blows. He whaled away to the head and trapped Rinaldi against the ropes. Johnny tried to fight his way out of trouble, and Reif unleashed a lethal left hook as Rinaldi backed away, knocking him flat on his back where he was counted out. The time was 1:11. Rinaldi, of the Bronx, weighed 147, Reif scaled 148.

Jimmy DeLuca, 203, Newark, a Galento-like slugger, resembled a shimmering mass of blubber as he lay writhing on the canvas after Johnny Davis, 184, Williamsburgh, planted one on his kisser in the second round of the semi-windup. The time was 1:08. Nick Primiani, 139, Montreal, had Ray Parker, 138½, Brooklyn, in trouble and on the deck, but had to be content with a six round decision. Wendy Wilson, 147½, Trinidad, B.W.I., came from behind to cop an interesting six round bout from Wayland Douglas, 146, San Francisco.

In the fours, Louis Long, 121½, New York, whipped Tony Pontillo, 126½, Fordham, and Georgie Small, 160, Brownsville, defeated Joe Robinson, 165, Paterson.

Maxie Berger, 152, clever Bronxite, returned to the ring after an absence of eight months to defeat his Bronx neighbor, Patsy Spataro, 142½, in the featured eight at the Park Arena. The cagey Berger proved too heavy and too smart for Spataro.

In the semi-final six, George Smith, 148, Harlem, defeated Freddie Patterson, 149½, Rochester. Sam Baroudi, 157, Bronx, won a six round bout over Benny Davis, 160½, Rochester, and Clarence Wilkerson, 164, Bronx, flattened Harry Gary, 165½, Cleveland, in 2:14 of the fourth round of a slated six.

Don McLean, 120½, Harlem, beat Wendy Douglas, 116, Bronx, in a four spot, while Tom Daniels, 136, Pittsburgh, defeated Ellie Simley, 139, West Side, over the same distance.

Louis Rousse of New Orleans continued his winning ways at the White Plains County Center when he punched his way to an eight round decision victory over Andy Faison. Rousse, at 152, outweighed his opponent by two pounds.

Jimmy McDonough, 155, Brooklyn, knocked out Julie Cross, 154½, Brooklyn, in 2:12 of the third round of a slated six. Andy Hayward, 118, outpointed Frankie Pucci, 150, New York, in a second six, while Al Mobley, 144, Newark, topped Willie Odom, 144, in another six round bout. A fourth six and a four rounded out the festivities as Al LaBarba, 145½, walloped Don Leon Kennedy, 148, Washington, and Cyril Gittens, 160¼, Brooklyn, defeated Henry Wilson, 165½, Newark.

Washed-up Fritzie Zivic took his second shellacking within a period of one month when Freddie Archer trounced him in the featured ten rounder at the St. Nicholas Arena.

Although the former welterweight champion was hit with punches he could have easily slipped five years ago, and was a thoroughly whipped shadow of his former great self, the crowd of 4,271 made Fritzie their sentimental favorite and booed long and loudly after the unanimous decision favoring Archer was announced.

Zivic, at 153, roared out at the opening gong, and with a couple of well-placed wallops had Archer in distress. The Pittsburgher just didn't have it any more, however, and the youthful Jerseyite who had defeated him once before, recovered to outslug Zivic in the ensuing sessions. It was a bitter battle with a lot of the rules glossed over as each man got in his dirty licks at close quarters. They slammed away at each other for a few seconds after the gong at the end of the four... round. Archer butted vigorously in retaliation to Fritzie's holding tactics, in the fifth, and Zivic blew the sixth canto when he doubled Archer up with a low blow.

Fritzie's flashy, last-minute finish in the final round had the crowd cheering, but Archer had already sewed up the contest in convincing fashion. Archer scaled 147, and the gross gate amounted to $13,962.

Al Hoosman, 199, giant Negro, recently discharged from the service, made his New York debut, and looked impressive flattening Johnny Davis, 182, of Brooklyn, in 2:04 of the fourth round, in the scheduled semi-final six. The six-foot-five-inch Hoosman, who fought the best in Australia while stationed there, displayed a sweet left jab, plenty of ring moxie, and should make many of the leading heavies sit up and take notice.

Billy Fox, 172½, Philadelphia, racked up his 34th straight knockout at the expense of James Polk, 172, New Brunswick, N. J., in 1:51 of the second round. Joey Dolan, 128, Spokane, overcame a rough fourth round to drop his foe, Mike Gravino, 126, Ontario, in the fifth, and went on to take the six-round decision.

Juan Carrero, 136, Puerto Rico, nosed out Pedro Biesca, 132¼, Mexico, in a lively six. In the opening four. George Small, 159, Brooklyn, defeated Charley Hilton, 154½, Philadelphia.

Finishing fast in the final frame, Frankie Rubino, 133, East New York, eked out a close eight round decision victory over sturdy Angel Aviles, 129, Mexico, in the main event at the Ridgewood Grove. The official verdict was unanimous but the fans favored Aviles who was cheered resoundingly as he left the ring.

Rubino got off to a quick start, taking the first two rounds rather easily. The fans began to hoot as Aviles, resembling a sad sack, stood forlornly in mid-ring while the Brooklyn youngster pounded him at will. In the fourth round the Angel got hot. He switched to a southpaw stance and scored frequently with hooks to the body. Aviles went on to take the next round, opening a slight cut over Rubino's eye.

The boys battled on even terms with Rubino pulling away to win the closing rounds. Referee Al Berle scored it three rounds apiece with two even, favoring Rubino for aggressiveness, Judge John Potter also split his vote at four heats for each fighter, while Judge Bobby Dawson had Rubino comfortably out in front at five rounds to two with one even. We scored it four for Frankie, two for the Angel, and two even.

Lou Valles, 151½, East Side, had little opposition in the person of Verne Patterson, 150, New York, whom he stiffened at 2:23 of the third round. Leo Lebron, 123½, Bronx, showed plenty of class while whipping Al Cella, 128½, Jamaica, in a special six. A second six wound up in a draw. Bobby Gunther, 141, Detroit, had Julio Malavez, 142, Puerto Rico, in distress in the opening round, but blew his chance and was held even.

A low blow in the first round, cost Larry Cook, 138, Harlem, the decision in his four rounder against Morris Elliott, 141, Stamford, Connecticut. Former air forces Lieutenant Bobby Boucher, 146½, Bronx, was held to a draw by game Charley Howard, 146½, Harlem, in the first four on a swell, action-filled fight card.

Moses Lee, of Camden, N. J., whose ring cognomen is Pedro Firpo, certainly did not bring back memories of a more famous Firpo when he hooked up in a ten round bout with Lew Hanbury at the St. Nicholas Arena before a crowd of 2,816.

It wasn't that Firpo didn't try. In fact he was so eager, he belted Hanbury below the belt in at least five rounds, but was penalized only in the third. Firpo, weighing 133¼, broke a losing streak of seven straight. Hanbury, who fights out of Washington, weighed 136¾.

Lew Perez, 160¾, livened things up with his clowning tactics, but rangier Clarence Wilkinson, 163¼, of the Bronx, couldn't see the humor of the Puerto Rican's antics and popped him freely to cop a six round duke. Juan Carrero, 134¾, Puerto Rico, outpunched Jerry Darby, 131, Jamaica, L. I., in a six, while Jimmy McDonough, 152, Brooklyn, lathered Benny Davis, Port Chester, N. Y., 157¼, in another six.

The opening four resulted in a win for Jimmy Parks, 152, who beat his fellow Brooklynite, Tony Bertucci, 154½.

Johnny Ryan, 153½, Detroit, proved to be "Johnny on the Spot" when he stepped in as a last-second sub for his stablemate, Steve Riggio, and scored sensationally over Ernie "Cat" Robinson, 150, Jamaica, L. I., before a capacity crowd at the Broadway Arena.

Robinson, who also subbed—for Lenny Mancini—couldn't cope with the fleet-footed Ryan, who stabbed him with beautiful lefts and rocked him with hard rights. The "Cat" copped only one round according to our tally.

In two six rounders, Filberto Osario, 124, Puerto Rico, outroughed Charley Noel, 126½, Brooklyn, and Jay Paganelli, 159½, Belleville, N. J., looked very good in trimming Jimmy Davis, 160, Pittsburgh.

The fours were fast and action-packed as Willie Odom, 143, Charleston, S. C., whipped Jerry Heimowitz, 151, Brooklyn; Billy Dilworth, 184½, Yonkers, outpointed Ben Russ, 175, Atlantic City; Tommy Daniels, 136, Brooklyn, outpunched George Baltieri, 141, Brooklyn, and Georgie Small, 159, Brooklyn, scored the only knockout of the night when he chilled Carl Holder, 160, Garfield, N. J.

Apparently out of condition after his long sojourn with the Army in the South Pacific, big Al Hoosman, Jimmy Johnston's latest heavyweight hope, boxed his way to an easy, unanimous ten round decision over Cleo Everett, Jacksonville, Fla., in the feature fray at the Park Arena.

Displaying plenty of ring savvy, plus a good left hand which should trouble some of the higher ranking heavies, Hoosman never opened up unless he was pressed. Everett took the first three rounds as Hoosman showed he could take it as well as dish it out. A hard right hand which the giant Negro worked with advantage to the body, won him seven out of ten rounds on Referee Young Otto's tally sheet. Hoosman, Los Angeles, scaled 197½ to Everett's 202.

Fred Bernard, 138, Akron, shaded Nick Primiani, 137, Montreal, in a sixer that could have gone either way. Bob Boucher, 146½, Nebraska, hooked up with Charley Howard, 148, Harlem, with whom he had boxed a draw four days previously. This time Boucher had little difficulty stopping Howard in thirty seconds of the second round. Another kayo was registered when Cliff Mann, 188, Daytona Beach, Fla., halted Bob Miller, 192, Bronx, in 1:55 of the fifth.

Two other knockouts studded the card as Chris Koerkle, 187, Bayonne, administered the sleeping potion to Jim Davenport, 187, Washington Heights, in 2:33 of round one, and Jimmy Wilson, 165, Newark, stopped Rocky Lebert, 165, Bayonne, at the end of the second round.

A new attendance record for the season was set at the White Plains County Center when 6100 fans watched Eddie Murphy, 136, Bronx belter, upset and knock out Fred Yeager, 133, Port Chester, N. Y., in the first round.

The eighteen-year-old Murphy registered his 16th straight professional victory by tearing right out at the opening bell and unleashing a barrage of stiff punches. Midway in the round he opened a cut over Yeager's right eye and stabbed mercilessly at it with an accurate left. The claret was flowing in copious quantities from Yeager's orb and Commission physician Thomas Bockner refused to let him come up for the second round.

Francisco Colon Garcia, 120, Puerto Rico, outboxed Andy Hayward, 116, Newark, in the six round semi-final. Counter-punching effectively in another six, Dave Allen, Port Chester, defeated Mike Gravino, 126, Hamilton, Ontario, flooring him twice. It was a great night for the city of Port Chester as two other native sons scored victories. Frank Thomas, 177, stopped Earl Eppinger, 186, Bronx, at 2:12 of the fifth. Johnny Harvey, 163, outpointed Tony Marchand, 157, Saskatchewan, in six rounds.

In the four round opener, Tony Pontillo, 129, Bronx, defeated Rudy Madora, 125, Brooklyn.

Patsy Giovanelli, 135¼, Brooklyn, moved closer to his pre-war rating as a leading lightweight contender, when he defeated Jackie Leamus, 135¾, Bronx, in the eight round feature bout at the Ridgewood Grove.

Leamus, a game clever boxer, got off to a good start by copping the first round easily. His looping bolo punches, coupled with classy footwork and a neat left jab, troubled Giovanelli considerably until about the fifth round. Patsy, however, was too aggressive, and kept coming on with punishing body blows to win going away in the last three rounds.

Harry Berntsen, 211¾, Norway, a likely looking prospect, scored his fifth straight kayo when he starched Connie Jeffrey, 195, Newark, in 1:22 of the first round after dropping his man three times. This was a scheduled six. In two other six round settos, Ernest Barnwell, 154, Brooklyn, lost to Augie Fleischauer, 155¾, Ridgewood, and Freddie Patterson, 149¾, Rochester, upset Tony de Rosa, 149, Astoria.

In scheduled fours, Nick Mellis, 151½, Brooklyn, knocked out Frankie Keith, 144½, Harlem, in 2:10 of the second round, and Willie Odom, 143½, Harlem, stopped Ray Parker, 141, Brooklyn, in thirty-one seconds of the fourth.

Boxing masterfully, the unpredictable Allie Stolz punched his way back into the lightweight limelight when he defeated Willie Joyce, No. 1 lightweight contender, in a slashing ten round go at Madison Square Garden.

The flashy Stolz quickly took the lead in the opening canto, scoring frequently with right hand smashes. The Newark boy used his left effectively, at times driving Joyce back. The second round was a battle of educated lefts with Allie outscoring Joyce. However, Willie was landing often at the close of the round.

Joyce had the upper hand throughout the third, and part of the fourth and forced most of the fighting. It was here that Stolz looked tired and many ringsiders felt he would wilt under Joyce's barrage of blows. Instead, the doll-faced Jerseyite was superb on the defense. He outcuted his foe, slipping his punches with a slight twist of his head; literally standing on a dime and picking off many hard wallops. Stolz lost the fourth round for striking low.

The sixth session saw the Chicago Negro switch from jabbing to hooking with his left. In the seventh round these tactics paid off as Stolz was stunned and stung several times, but he came back to slug it out with Willie. Stolz was penalized the eighth round again for striking low. The ninth and tenth rounds had the crowd in an uproar as both men traded blows without letup. The unanimous decision in favor of Stolz was popular with the gathering of 9,847 fans. Stolz scaled 134, Joyce, 137.

Clint Miller, Newark, 126¼, outboxed Pedro Biesca, 130½, Mexico City, in the six round semi-final. Eddie Compo, 127, New Haven, was impressive while winning from Leo LeBron, 124, New York, in another six.

Jimmy McDonough, 153¼, Brooklyn, punched too hard and often for Ralph Dougherty, 162, Newark, in a third six, while Billy Morris, 148, Towson, Md., received a six round decision over Lee Jones, 139¾, Philadelphia. Leo Milito, 130, East Side, whipped Mike Gravino, 127, Hamilton, Ontario, in the four round opener.

IN CHICAGO
With GENE ENGEL

WILLIE JOYCE, that tigerish Hoosier mite from Gary, Ind., made one of his infrequent fights here in the Windy City since his rise to fistic fame and was held to a draw verdict by the promising Joey Barnum, Los Angeles, Cal., puncher, at the Chicago Stadium, in the ten round feature go.

It was a battle that found Barnum—the taller of the two, weighing 139½ to Joyce's 138, utilizing his height and reach, with scrappy Willie snarpshooting with his left hooks.

First one, then the other held the advantage, but always a rally on either fighter's part would change the complexion of the bout. Joyce opened up an old eye cut on Joey in the ninth round.

Elmer Ray, Hastings, Florida, 195-pounder, won convincingly over diminutive Hubert Hood, C.Y.O. 192-pounder, who made a creditable showing. Ray, hailed as a great KO artist, proved his superiority over Hood, who didn't figure to go the limit with Ray, but failed to knock him out.

Bennie Droll, Peoria, Ill., 152-pounder, won easily over Wild Bill McDowell, Dallas, Texas, 157-pounder. McDowell proved beyond a doubt that he could take it, but lacked aggressiveness.

Gene Roberts, Danville, Ill., featherweight, was losing a hard-pressed shindig with Joey Palmo, Cincinnati belter, until the middle of the third round, when Palmo ran out of gas and receipted for a lacing and a technical knockout at the hands of young Roberts.

In the ten round contest following the main event, Clayton Worlds, Chicago, 195-pounder, won over Buddy Walker, Columbus, Ohio, 192-pounder, in a not-too-interesting affair. Worlds' superior reach and boxing strategy offset Walker's punching prowess.

Approximately 9,000 fans contributed a gross gate of $37,420.35, which all in all, turned out to be another Schoenwald-Begun and Hurley combine financial success.

Freddie Dawson, who prior to his entry into service, had been doing his fisticuffing in the East, finally made a home town appearance and startled the fans with his rousing two round kayo over Alvin Gomez, in a scheduled eight round affair at the Marigold Gardens arena. The fans thought that Gomez was tagged while on the canvas, where he landed after a barrage of blows. This was wrong. Apparently the majority of the customers missed the conclusive clean blow, therefore they bellowed indignantly at the knockout verdict.

Dan Robinson, plucky South Side Negro lightweight, won via a technical knockout over Sparky Reynolds, Indianapolis, Ind., battler, in the fourth round. The attending physician wouldn't permit Sparky to come out for the fifth frame owing to a severely bruised left ear.

In the prelims, Allen Small beat Ted Newsome, light-heavyweight from Gary, Indiana; Tommy Charles, Indianapolis 170-pounder, knocked out Douglas Jordan in round five, and Jimmy Martin, erstwhile aggressive Southside Negro welter, achieved a spectacular knockout triumph over Ray Carter, 1945 Golden Gloves champion, in two rounds.

Tony (Cianciola) Martin, Milwaukee middleweight, recently discharged from the service, won a very unpopular decision over Bennie Droll, in the Marigold eight round windup.

William Johnson, slash-punching Negro, stopped Blond Jack Hill of Bloomington, Ill., in two rounds. It is a rarity to find Hill knocked out, but as the old tradition goes, "It happens to the best of 'em."

Roy Lewis, Muncie, Ind., cop, won a five round decision over Jimmy Martin in a hectic brawl.

Dick Czerniak, "Brewery City" middleweight, was belted out by Robert Pryor in the opening heat; while in the opener, Leroy Scales scored a technical knockout win over George Sapolich of Johnston, Pa., in the fourth round of a slated five round scrap.

Gene Spencer, South Chicago lightweight, has accounted for three knockouts during the past month—Gene annihilated Mike Edwards in Sterling, Ill.; stopped Ernie Petrone in Toledo, Ohio, five rounds, and spilled Jimmy Martin for the count at Beloit, Wisconsin, in five rounds. In Spencer's latest contest he dropped the laurels to Bill Eddy at Flint, Michigan, in a ten rounder.

Mike Malloy's debut program at the Ashland Auditorium was studded with knockouts.

Robert Satterfield and Charley Polk were the contestants involved in the scheduled eight round windup—First, Polk appeared to be on his way to victory, having floored Satterfield in the opening heat, only to find himself the recipient of a jolting blow that put him away for keeps in the second stanza.

Talmadge Bussy of Detroit, Mich., dropped Roy Lewis, Muncie, Ind., policeman, for the count in the second round, and Mansfield Driskell, also of the "Motor City," shellacked Tony Reno, putting the quietus on Reno in the third canto.

In the additional four round bouts, Jim Carroll, Detroit welter, beat Pete Ferrand, recently honorably discharged Mexican, and Willard Coffey, Chicago, won over Joe Nelson, Detroit. In the curtain raiser, Jack Conway of Buffalo, N. Y., triumphed over LeRoy Thompson.

Eddie Lander, Jewish Westsider, chalked up two nice wins until he ran into a tartar in the person of Freddy Taylor, rugged newcomer from Denver, Colorado. He was defeated in eight rounds at the Marigold Gardens Arena.

Alvin Gomez, South Side lightweight, took the measure of Jimmy Joyce in the eight round co-feature.

The preliminary matches all ended in knockouts. Ted Christie, N.Y.C. veteran, kayoed John Goode, Cincinnati featherweight, in two rounds; Tommy James finished Robert Pryor, four rounds, and Jerry Pittro, Westside Italian, rocked James (Sayles) Wilson to sleep in four rounds of their slated five round mill.

Bill Parsons, two-fisted Danville, Illinois, welterweight glove-wielder, came back in the late rounds of his battle with the sharp-punching O'Neill Bell of Detroit, Mich., to gain an eight round draw.

Robert Pryor, Chicago 144-pounder, put Marty Ferro of Detroit, Mich., away early in the first round; Andy Duncan, 123-pounder, scored a TKO over Nick Kachardus, Westside Greek, at the end of the second round.

Ernie Stevenson, 156 pounds, kayoed Ted Newsome, Gary light-heavy, in the third frame, and rugged Art Brown, Southside 149-pounder, won a decision over aging Robert Fowler in eight rounds in a co-supporting attraction.

O'Neill Bell, Detroit kayo artist, is steadily forging to the front. His wicked seven round knockout over Bennie Droll, a legitimate middleweight, raised Bell's stock no little. Bell was just too sharp and agile for the unorthodox Droll, who is a fast puncher. They were scheduled for eight rounds.

Leroy Seales, Negro Southsider, floored Ernie Stevenson for the count in the third heat of their five round skirmish.

Sammy Thompson, Detroit 148-pounder, fought to a six round draw with Robert Fowler.

Mel Workman, South Bend, Ind., light-heavyweight, earned a draw for his efforts opposite Jimmy Wilson, Southside stylist, with the fragile jaw.

Any news of importance or interest will be welcomed by Gene Engel, 2121 East 68th Street. Boxers still overseas, or those who have just departed for foreign territories. are urged to send interesting items to the writer.

JABS FROM ST. LOUIS AND VICINITY
By BUS BURKE

CHARLEY RILEY, 127 pound puncher from St. Louis, continued his triumphant march down the pugilistic road to fame when he blasted out Jack (Spider) Armstrong of Toronto, Canada, in the seventh stanza of an exciting bout. This boy Riley is making a grand bid to display his fistic wares in the nation's "Show Place of Sock"—namely, Madison Square Garden.

Sam Muchnick is back from the war and has received the green light to go ahead with his plans to promote wrestling and boxing here in the city of St. Louis. Muchnick's present plans are centered upon wrestling. In 1941 Muchnick resigned his position with the Packs organization with whom he had been associated for a period of nine years, and started to promote on his own. The war interrupted.

The Muchnick promotions will be under the auspices of the Father Dempsey Charities.

Right Crosses—The 11th Annual St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* Golden Gloves Tournament is in the making and is scheduled at this time for the week of February 4th, at the huge Arena on Oakland Ave. . . . Carl Brown, welterweight of Overland, Mo., is a Pfc. in the sixth Marine Division, and is now stationed in China, and has won a regular berth on the Sixth Marine Division boxing team. . . . Bill Hawkins of Sioux City has a very well organized boxing business. . . . Bennie Droll is still bowling over all opponents.

Fred Latson, the East Side featherweight, is prepping for his pro debut. Promoter Hans Bernstein will inaugurate boxing in the Keil Auditorium in St. Louis. . . . Charley Riley and his brother Dave are signed for the big fistic extravaganza by working out at the Lou Wallach Missouri Boxing Association Gym. . . . They have been joined by Eddie Lee who also has a spot on the card.

St. Louis's Archie Moore lost one of those heartbreakers to Holman Williams of Chicago by tossing in too many low blows when they fought in Baltimore on October 22.

Managers with fighters and fighters wishing to show in St. Louis, will do well to contact Lou Wallach, who intends to promote shows on his own hook before long at the Kiel Auditorium. Lou can be reached at his Missouri Boxing Association Headquarters, located at 3628 Enright Avenue, St. Louis 8, Mo.

At Kansas City, Kansas, Lou Flyer, Coast 146-pounder, now boxing out of St. Louis, dropped an eight-round decision to Major Jones, Kansas City welter.

In the semi-windup Vert Gibson, 148½, Kansas City, stopped Johnny Tabbs, 150, St. Louis, in 2:24 of the third round.

Results of the prelims follow: Frankie Rivera, 117½, Kansas City, belted out Charles Stacker, 129½, of St. Louis in 1:54 of the second. Howard Jackson, 123¾, Kansas City, hammered out Oliver Johnson, 129½, of St. Louis in 2:20 of the first round. Harold Boyd, 151, Chicago, won by the K.O. route from Orville Spurlock, 150, of Kansas City in 52 seconds of the first heat.

The bouts were held in Memorial Hall in Kansas City, Kansas, and are held under the auspices of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Harry Eagles, who was for several months associated with Lou Wallach here in St. Louis as co-promoter and matchmaker in several well-matched cards, is at the present time sojourning in Kansas City, Mo. While there, Eagles gave the fans some better than average shows.

Send all news of fighters from this locality to Bus Burke, 601 St. Louis Street, De Soto, Mo.

CAMP SHELBY STAGES FIRST INDOOR FIGHTS

MORE than 5000 soldier fight fans jammed Shelby's Sports Arena to watch eight Special Training Unit boxers hammer their way to individual championships of S.T.U. Fans also watched an extra exhibition bout in the flyweight class, and also heard the snappy 28th Division Band.

None of the scraps lacked action, but that in which James Sanchez of New Mexico decisioned James Henkle of Alabama was the hottest.

The first two bouts ended in quick knockouts. Irvin Dunkle from Hawaii knocked out Jack Gilmer from Tennessee in 1:25 of the first round and Buford Evans knocked out Robert Black from Nashville in 1:27 of the first round.

In the third scrap, Roland Elsbury of Florida won a close decision over Cleatworth Cumber of South Carolina.

The heavyweight fight was a battle between two sluggers. Billy Murphy of Kentucky defeated Jack Bevan by a knockout in 1:21 of the third round. Both men were on the canvas several times.

A strictly rough and tumble affair was the 135 pound class bout in which Dan Rodriguez of Texas won a decision over Bill Lucas of South Carolina.

The seventh bout saw Jan Conachio of Mexico use a very fast left jab to take a wide decision over Ted Gilmore of Tennessee.

In the last and final contest, Bill Hambrick of North Carolina used aggressiveness and a fast left hand to defeat Jack Hall of Atlanta, Georgia.

Lieut. John W. Williams, Post Athletic Officer, was third man in the ring throughout the evening. Announcing was handled by Lieut. R. M. Karns, Chief Athletic and Recreation Branch, and S/Sgt. Buddy Hyde. Judges were Lt. Col. Samuel Weiss, Post Ordnance Officer, and Major Bun Penland, Asst. Ordnance Officer. Timekeepers were Captain W. G. Granger of Special Training Unit and S/Sgt. James Tullos.

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TAMPA AND VICINITY
By VELASQUES

TAMPA—Charley Padalino was awarded an unearned five round TKO at Tampa over Eddie Steele in what was to have been a twelve round bout for the Southern middleweight title. Referee Young Raymond stopped the bout claiming Steele had injured his right hand and could not continue although the latter had won the first four rounds handily and was willing to continue. For no reason at all the fans booed Steele loudly believing he had quit.

Tiger Henning scored a three round TKO over Tommy Purcel in the semi-final, they are heavyweights.

Charlie Allison won from Pepper Martin in the four round opener.

Tampa—Al "Pipo" Fern, West Tampa, had little trouble in stopping Sonny Barton in three rounds. Fern, a hard hitting southpaw, hit Barton at will.

Buddy Rose and Bob Austin, a couple of hard hitting middleweights, fought on even terms for four rounds. In the fifth, Rose clipped Austin on the head with a left and right to send him down for the count.

In an interesting bout between featherweights Ernest Nogues took a hard-earned decision from Paul Bustamante in four rounds.

In other fours George Cueto and Chuck McManus drew and Red Walker and Charlie Stokes also drew.

Tampa—Fidel Rivera, a Mexican, won over Bulldog Camagueyano in ten rounds. This was a fairly even contest with Rivera putting on a strong bid in the last two rounds to gain the verdict.

Red Bryant, Plant City, lost to Buster Carroll in another ten round bout. This was an unpopular decision.

Raymond Alfonso, 145, knocked out Young Eddie in three rounds; Blond Baggett, 135, won from Bill Carson, 135, in four; Johnny Garcia won from Smiling Johnny in four; Young Alvarez won from Bob Rodriguez in four.

Tampa—Carl Guggino made his first start since getting out of the Navy against Marcel Fournier and came through with an easy ten round win.

Billy Carroll won only three rounds of his ten round bout with Red Hutchins, yet he was awarded the decision which proved very unpopular with the fans.

In four round bouts Little Boy Blue, 120, lost to Kid Frisco, 120; Ernest Nogues, 130, won from George Cueto.

Tampa—Jimmy Young, 172, Plant City, won over Hank Pappas, 175, McDill Field, in 6 rounds. Jimmy Kelly, 138, Tampa, won over Charlie Trippiana, 135, Tampa, in four rounds. Jim Waters defeated Gene Brooks in four rounds. These bouts were put on free for the 300 fans who showed up despite a heavy rain that forced the cancellation of the Joey Puig-Chili Cantero main bout.

Tampa—Johnny Suarez, Portland, Ore., defeated Fidel Rivera, Mexico City, by taking 8 of the 10 rounds in his first showing in Tampa. Suarez, a classy welter with a wicked punch in either hand, made Rivera miss often and countered with hard rights that piled up points for him.

Joe Torres, New York, had an easy time in winning over Red Bryant, Plant City, in six rounds by a knockout.

Chili Cantero, Cuban featherweight, used his speed and boxing ability to outsmart the veteran Red Hutchins in another ten rounder.

Dick Freely, 170, defeated Hank Pappas, 172, in six rounds.

Miami—Manny Gomez, Tampa, making his first Miami showing against Billy Moore, lost an eight round decision which proved very unpopular. Moore winner of 40 bouts out of 43 starts and a Miami favorite was no match for the fast stepping Gomez who was the aggressor throughout the bout.

Marcel Fournier and Fidel Rivera went eight rounds to a draw.

Miami—Clarence "Cotton" King, West Palm Beach, knocked out Joe Torres, New York, in the fourth round.

Armand Michaud, 140, Lisbon, Me., surprised by winning a six round decision from Clyde Gordon, 141, Jacksonville. This was a return match, Gordon having stopped Michaud in their first encounter.

Jackie Mason, 140, Phila., Pa., lost to Sam Ranger, 137, Laurinsburg, N. C., in four rounds.

Erwin Kaye, 170, Los Angeles, Calif., won a six rounder from Red Morrison, 179, Staunton, Va., in six rounds.

Pat Celli, 132, Phila., Pa., knocked out Joe Gangimi, 129, Jacksonville, in two rounds.

Miami—Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, 131, Lisbon, Me., and Joe Robleto, 133, drew in ten rounds.

Tampa — Bulldog Camagueyano, Cuban lightweight, stopped Armand Michaud, Lisbon, Me., in the seventh round. Michaud was hit low in the second, third, and twice more in the fifth round. Michaud was ahead on points when the end came.

Ray Delgado, Cuban featherweight, gave Billy Carroll, Canada, a pasting for three rounds and then knocked him out in the fourth. Carroll won the first round, but was dropped five times in the second and lost the third by a wide margin.

Jose Torres, New York welter, was awarded a TKO over Jackie Savino, New York, when the latter failed to come out for the second round due to a cut eye.

In a four rounder, Henry Waters, Tampa, won from Nelson Freto, Tampa.

Tampa—Maurice "Lefty" LaChance won a very close decision from Rene "Baby" Sanchez after ten rounds of hard fighting. LaChance won the last three rounds to get a 6-5 point edge after each had won five rounds.

Billy Carroll, Montreal, scored a TKO win over Lou Williams when the latter failed to come out for the seventh round. Carroll dropped Williams three times before putting him out for keeps.

Jimmy Young, 175, Plant City, again defeated Hank Pappas, 175, McDill Field, in a six rounder.

Petey Powell won from Johnny Johns in four rounds and Henry Waters won from Buck Johnson in another four rounder.

Tampa—Sailor Al Velez made his Tampa debut by stopping the classy Manny Gomez in round one. Velez won the round by a wide margin and put an end to it with a solid left hand punch to the face which fractured Manny's nose and he was unable to continue. Velez won the lightweight and welterweight titles of the Pacific Ocean Area recently and also defeated Carl Guggino twice and the Army Central Pacific and Marine Central Pacific champions.

Juan Serrano, Cuban middleweight, won over Buster Carroll in a ten rounder.

Ernest Nogues, 127, Tampa, won a four round decision from George Rojos, 128, Tampa; George Cueto, 132, Tampa, outpointed George Garcia, 130, Tampa, in another four rounder and Blond Baggett, 130, Tampa, knocked out Jesus Pintado, 130, Tampa. About 1000 viewed the show, sponsored by the 116th Field Artillery.

Tampa—Violet Valentine, Arkansas brunette, pinned Nell Stewart, and in her next match was defeated two out of three falls by Mae Young.

Johnny "Swede" Carlin has challenged Tony Cancela to meet him in a mixed bout. Cancela has accepted and promises to be ready after a couple of weeks of training.

Pete Andrew came back to Florida to handle his Cuban boys in a few bouts. Pete, who spends most of his time in and around New York, is now handling Cantero, Serrano and Camagueyano (Jorge Estrada), who has a record of 44 wins in 59 bouts. He has stopped nine of his last opponents.

Fidel Rivera had to lick Ceal Yancey twice in one bout to win a single verdict.

BUFFALO, N. Y.
By HUGH SHANNON

THE Willie Pep-Mike Martyk fight was stopped in the fifth round by Referee Eddie Seres when Martyk was bleeding profusely from a cut over his right eye. The bout was staged at the Auditorium.

Fighting like a pit bull-dog, Martyk never backed water from the champion and kept boring in round after round until the piston-like punches had him sore and weary. Pep is a classy champion, the best featherweight to fight here since Kid Chocolate's day and Willie should easily beat any of the 126-pounders now before the public.

Pep is not only a clever and resourceful ringman but a puncher as well. The Hartford man gave a great exhibition of all around ability at Jack Singer's Hudson show which attracted a crowd of about 10,000. It was Pep's 88th victory in 89 fights.

Quick knockouts featured the preliminaries when Prentiss Hall, 169, Buffalo, knocked out Tony Gillo, 169, New Haven, Conn., first round. Joe Miller, 140, Buffalo Negro, stopped Jack Brace, Hamilton, 139, two rounds; Allen Faulkner, Buffalo, 149, flattened Vic Belanger, 153, Utica, one round.

Jack Herman and Jerry Monahan are packing the house with their wrestling shows, which are staged under the auspices of the Great Lakes A.C.

At Billy Mitchie's Fairview A.C.—Jimmy Doyle, the rugged California welterweight, stopped Oscar Suggs, Negro, in three rounds. It was a fine showing for Doyle who was far too good for the Rhode Island Negro.

In other bouts on the same card, Carman De John, 166, Syracuse, nailed Billy Franklin, Detroit, 156, in the first round, knocking him out. Del Bryant, Buffalo, 145, KO'ed Chip Mitri, Buffalo, 142, first round. Bobby Collins, Buffalo, 154, took a decision from John Abbott, Cleveland, 150, four rounds.

Phil Muscato, Buffalo, 183, knocked out Johnny Denson, Indianapolis, 190½, in the third round of their scheduled ten round main event for the Hudson club on October 24 at Memorial Auditorium. Muscato was far too tough for the Hoosier heavy and handed him a shellacking.

Allen Faulkner, Buffalo, 146, stopped Sparky Reynolds, 148, second round.

Officials were referee, Ed Seres; judges, Anse Carroll and Tommy McGlynn (Fisher); timer, Ike Klipfel and announcer, Manny Weitz. About 4700 saw the show.

Around the Town—Eddie Seres is becoming a top-notch referee. . . . Eddie uses good judgment in stopping one-sided fights and also when a boxer is badly cut. . . . Of course Lou Scozza remains the daddy of all local arbiters here . . . Referee Ted Thomas, a wrestler, wants nothing but wrestling shows, and Tommy McGlynn (Fisher) has given up refereeing to become a judge. . . . Another referee, Chip Davis, has declined to accept any further assignments. . . . Chip, too, would like to be a judge.

Meanwhile, George Needham, one of the squarest judges in the fight game, has not been granted a renewal of his license. . . . Needham is a Democrat and the powers-that-be are Republican.

Charlie Pinto is training Phil Muscato, and the Guy Sulpi stable. . . . Pinto, some years back, was a great bantamweight.

Joe Netro is as busy as a bee working out of town with his many boxers and acting as assistant to Billy Mitchie, promoter for the Fairview Athletic club. . . . The Hudson and Fairview clubs are alternating weekly. . . . This is a good plan and is building up the fight game here.

Charlie Murray would like to get back into the boxing picture but will have a tough row to hoe. . . . The two clubs working here now seem to be enough. Then there is the Great Lakes A.C., a wrestling club managed by Jack Herman and Jerry Monahan.

NEW ORLEANS AND THE SOUTH
By BROADWAY JOHNNY COX

JOCK LESLIE, Flint, Mich., atomic bomb of the 126-pound ranks, who has scored six consecutive knockouts in New Orleans rings, has been rewarded for his fine fistic performances.

Leslie earned a ten-round decision battle with N.B.A. champion Sal Bartolo. The Messina-Raymond combine staged the match which was a non-title affair.

Lester Krell, Leslie's pilot, has performed a swell job with the hard-hitting 126-pounder. Jock stopped Pedro Hernandez, Al Weill's Puerto Rican star; Tommy "Killer" Kiene of Savannah, Jose Andreas, twice, Jackie Allen and Stanley Cieslak.

The blond kayo walloper is a vicious body puncher and while not possessing much cleverness, has marched to the top here through his durability, courage and hitting power.

Augie Lapara returned to his home town and showed for Promoter Heard Ragas and Matchmaker Emile Bruneau, who paired him with Al Pennino, Brooklyn, N. Y., featherweight.

Pennino fought like a novice, being stopped in the first round. He was no match for Lapara. The fight disappointed 4000 fans who had expected Pennino to be a formidable foe with the record he came south with.

Promoter Lou Messina and Matchmaker Louis Chattard, who handles the Negro fights every Friday night, presented Cleo Shans and Johnny Bratton, Chicago, Ill. They fought a draw and were rematched for ten rounds on an Armistice Day show.

Bratton is a classy boxer and stopped "Candy" McDaniels, up and coming Cincinnati, Ohio, lightweight, in six rounds. Bratton is managed by Larry Amadee a l Howard Frazier.

Amadee has been training fighters for 21 years. He trained Joe Louis, John Henry Lewis, Beau Jack, Holman Williams and a raft of other near champions.

New Orleans now has a swanky new gymnasium at 828 Gravier Street. It is on the third floor and operated by Charley Rodriguez and Joe Russo. Rodriguez was at one time Dixie featherweight champion, Russo trained Fred Fulton, Pal Moran, Basile Galiano, Joe Thomas and many other great fighters years ago.

The gymnasium has elevator service, is comfortably equipped and was badly needed locally. The 139 Baronne Street Gymnasium, where fighters trained for the past 15 years, is in new hands. It is no longer a gymnasium; a business concern uses it for a stock room.

Anselmo Garcia, who manages Pete Mirabella, New York soldier lightweight, who defeated Jack Larrimore and others here, is anxious to pit Mirabella against any 135-pounder.

Promoters and matchmakers can contact Manager Garcia by looking up his ad in this issue.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By PVT. TOM EPHREM

MARTY FULLER'S fistic plans for the coming winter season to feature Rocky Graziano, Allie Stolz, Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, and Johnny Greco, in Miami will be quite a boost for the boxing game in the Magic City, and Florida. The Biscayne Arena will be the scene of the swat sessions and a major tussle per month with one of these boys as headliners against the best in the area down here. Jack Larrimore, Miami welterweight, and Clarence "Cotton" King, West Palm Beach lightie, are two of the named adversaries for the topnotchers. Prices for admission will range from a dollar up. The Arena's 4500 seating capacity can be enlarged, and it will no doubt be done.

Thanks to our friend Manuel Velasques, an additional 70 fights under the belt of Manuel Quintero, former Florida welterweight contender, and not published in any record book, is now available, and THE RING Record Book will carry same eventually. .

Some results in Florida: Maurice (Lefty) LaChance beat Baby Face Billy Carroll; Armand Michaud defeated Bob Timpson in a welter clash, and also drew with Sonny Harrison, although he should have been tabbed the winner easily; Billy Moore gained his forty-first win in disposing of Lefty Chillo; Pee Wee Flores beat Joey Puig in ten.

Bill Regan, boxing coach at the University of Miami, is back home, hoping to get the "U's" boxing team ready. Bill assisted with the Sports School over in Italy and refereed many a boxing show. One included the Primo Carnera-Joe Biro bout in Leghorn. Biro comes from Detroit.

"Tiger Eddie" Spencer, Macon, Georgia middleweight was a visitor in Jacksonville, his hitch with the Seabees completed after totaling 52½ points. Eddie saw quite a bit of the action in the Pacific, and was a member of that famous 13th Battalion, termed the "Black Cats." Eddie was in the Aleutians, Okinawa and Saipan. He served as boxing instructor for the boys.

Garner Johns, former flyweight and bantamweight boxer from Miami, is working with the fighters in Jacksonville.

Jack Larrimore, welterweight boxer from Miami, and Marty Fuller, promoter-manager, both recommend Mike Koballa, of the NTC down that way, as an outstanding prospect. Mike is 19 years old and comes from Pennsylvania. He is being handled by Percy Watson, Miami ex-boxer also in the service. Koballa, a 140 pound NTC Golden Gloves star, went to the finals in the Nationals last year. Clyde "Flash" Gordon, Jacksonville, 145 pounder, is another fine prospect.

Buddy Scott, Southern heavyweight, is making Jacksonville his home, though at present with the service in the Navy at Bainbridge, Md.

Rex McEachin, Jacksonville amateur light-heavyweight, was killed in the battle in Europe, according to "Doc" Sharkey, of Jacksonville, father of Tom Sharkey, local ex-battler. Rex was with the Airborne Infantry. He was on a volunteer mission, his seventh, before he fell. His brother Billy, also an amateur boxer, just arrived from the action, with points galore. God rest you, Rex, Pal.

At Savannah, Ga., on October 24: Jock Leslie got his second kayo win over Tommy Kiene, local southpaw slugger, this time in the second round at the Victory Sports Club in the Auditorium. Leslie weighed 127 and the loser 120½.

Buck Morel, Jacksonville ex-boxer, after seeing overseas duty with the Fourth Division, returned home recently and was discharged from Camp Gordon.

Several errors to be corrected from recent RING statements. Sgt. Tommy Yarosz, of Monaca, Penn., is coaching his unit's boxing team in Germany, not in Italy. Staff Sergeant Vic Ephrem, my beloved late brother, was killed in France, not in Italy, with the 30th Division, Ninth Army.

Tommy Gomez, Tampa's bid for heavyweight honors, has been discharged from the Army.

Your humble correspondent will greatly appreciate any boxing news and results regarding Dixieland, for publication in THE RING. Letters and queries will be quickly answered. Please enclose stamp for replies. By the time this is off the press there will be no more "FREE" *mail* via yours truly. Reason: Discharge; Freedom; Thanks to the Good Lord. THE RING Magazine can be bought in downtown Jacksonville at Jake's Stand on Hogan Street, right off corner of West Forsyth.

Address all notes and mail to: Tom Ephrem, 403 West Ninth Street, Jacksonville 6, Florida.

Newspapers arriving in Jacksonville from Tampa, Miami, Savannah, carry the "bulldog" edition, where fight results are not carried. Will be most thankful if boxing fans from these cities will send us the fight clippings.

IMPORTANT: The following is requested by the mother of a United States Marine who fell in the battle against the Japs. The lady will appreciate all information in regard to her son's death. The late Marine is Cpl. Robert A. (Bob) Frailey, 4th Marines, 6th Division, Company F, 2nd Battalion. Bob was a Lancaster, Penn., boy, and quite a boxer. Please write me and the message will be conveyed to Mrs. Frailey.

It's Sgt. Tommy Yarosz now. The popular 78th Division light-heavyweight contender was upped another rating for the splendid work in putting on boxing shows for his buddies. This goes for Tony Costa also.

Joey Yarosz, younger member of the boxing clan, added another victory to his list in kayoing one of the favorites in a Texas ring. Joey fights in the welterweight class.

One of the Navy lads stationed at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station is Lou Zaragosa, who fought in the bantamweight class as Lou Zaray. He comes from East Los Angeles, California, and is a Mexican-American.

Morris Miner, veteran fight manager from Daytona, now of Jacksonville, will return to the fight game. Miner will manage an array of local boxers. Thus far, Morris has Tom Sharkey, heavyweight; Jimmy Bowden, heavyweight; Wade Chancey, light-heavy; Walter Rhoden, light-heavy, and Harvey Rhoden, middleweight. The Rhoden boys are brothers.

At Tampa—Johnny Suarez made a dandy debut here, defeating Fidel Rivera of Mexico in a lightweight duel. Joe Torres, Cuban scrapper, halted Red Bryant here also. On October 25 here, Al Velez stirred Tampa fans by stopping the local Mannie Gomez, claimant to the state welterweight title, in two rounds.

Billy McEachin, Jacksonville lightweight, has been discharged from the Service.

Tommy Kiene, slugging southpaw from Savannah, Georgia, has announced his retirement from the game after being kayoed by Jock Leslie at the Savannah Auditorium. Tommy is 34 years of age.

Joe Robleto, prominent California clouter who met Bantam Champ Manuel Ortiz several times, is showing his wares in Florida rings. He is a featherweight. Joe travelled with Ortiz in 10 and 15 round clashes.

At Miami, Florida—Maurice "Lefty" LaChance gave away many pounds to Jackie Savino and came out ahead in their 8 round event at the Arena. Maurice weighed 129, Savino 146. Bob Timpson, 145, fought a draw with Armand Michaud, 138, in a six rounder. Pat Celli, tipping 134, put the quietus on Bill Sperry, 133, in the second. Lefty Coleman, 125, defeated Jimmy Smith, 127, in the prelim four. Billy Carroll, 126½, stopped Jackie Greenberg, 120, in four.

Another Jacksonville ex-boxer has been released from the Service. Jimmy Reed, opponent for some of the best welterweights in the game and one of the most colorful, bid the Seabees goodbye after 42 months in uniform. Thirty-seven of these were spent overseas—18 in the Aleutians, 15 in Guam and 4 on Iwo Jima. The Jaxon boy was among the lucky ones who came through the action unscathed, many of his pals were not that fortunate. Except for several smokers, Jimmy did not bother with the gloves. The only interest he now holds in the sport is in the splendid progress his son is now making. Jimmy Junior, in Erie, Pa., is shooting high with a wonderful amateur record of 39 fights—39 wins, 16 via the kayo route. Junior is bound to be a heavyweight. He tips the scales at 164, and is not quite 6 feet tall, though not quite 18.

Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, 131, Maine, undefeated in Florida rings, was held even by Joe Robleto, Los Angeles, in their 10-round tiff at Miami.

Burly Jim Bowden, Jacksonville heavyweight, won over Frank McCormick, 201, of Brooklyn, via the T.K.O. route at Valdosta, Ga. The end came in the second round. Bowden tipped 210. The Brooklyn boy subbed for Eddie Mader.

Buddy Scott, Jacksonville heavyweight, is in the Navy and is stationed at the Bainbridge Naval Station in Maryland.

SPOKANE NEWS

By JIMMY TANSY

THERE wasn't one show in Spokane the past month and from the looks of things, there won't be any for quite a while. Boxing enthusiasts were amazed to hear that the Armory would not be available any more, due to military needs. Now ain't that something?

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I was under the opinion that the emergency period was over. There are all kinds of rumors running around, ugly ones, too, as to why Mr. Gross can't run any more shows. Some one ought to investigate and find the real reason. How about it Mr. Francis? The game was going great guns along the comeback trail when this had to happen.

Well, well, so Tiger Fox is all washed up, eh? There is a lot of money around town that says he can lick the No. 1 light-heavy, also Joe Kahut, the boy who beat him recently, if they meet again.

Two of the best trainers in the northwest are Joey August and Kaley Sonner, who have never seconded a losing fighter since they have teamed up together. Glen Northcutt, a real middleweight prospect, Frankie Gimbel and Joey Dolan, Spokane's featherweight contender, are rarin' for action. Let's have some, commissioner!

Jock Leslie proved too much for Savannah's Tommy Kiene, hard-punching southpaw, in their headliner at the Savannah Auditorium on October 24. Leslie stopped Tommy in the sixth. The entire card was a solid hit. The crowd got more than it's money's worth. Al Michaud, a welterweight stablemate of Maurice "Lefty" LaChance, gained the nod over Al Reid in the eight-round semi-final scrap. Michaud had Reid down for a nine count in the fourth. The latter came back to give Michaud trouble galore. Sonny Harrison decisioned Steve Sloneski in a sixer. The winner suffered a cut eye in the third. Jackie Blount, a Jacksonville youngster, took a decision from "Fags" Simmons in a four-round lightweight encounter. In another four, Danny Webb and Bill Gaudioso travelled to an even meet.

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CONNECTICUT RING NEWS
By JACK KANE

NEW HAVEN ARENA—The second indoor show at the Arena gave indication of good days ahead for the George Sheppard promotions, with a gate of $3200. In the headliner, Eddie Compo, 126, won over Tony Oshiro, 127½, New York. It was Compo's fifteenth consecutive victory. It was his first professional appearance in his home state as he has just passed his eighteenth birthday, the legal age for pro boxers in Connecticut. Compo won every round and floored his opponent for a three count in the final round.

In the semi-final, also a fast, rugged battle, Frankie Donato, 128, Philadelphia, won the decision over Blonde Tiger, 128, Lowell, Mass. It was hard fought and interesting from start to finish.

The top six was a victory for Frankie Foley, 139, New Haven, over Billy Marcus, 134, Hartford. Foley landed a hard right in the fourth that broke Marcus' nose. It was Foley's fourth victory in four starts since being discharged from the Army after five years, with the great Connecticut 43rd division. The next six was stopped by Referee Louis "Kid" Kaplan in the fourth and declared no contest because Larry Claussen, 188, New York, seemed to be holding back in his bout with Harold Glassman, 186, Philadelphia.

It appeared however, that the like styles employed by both boys worked to their disadvantage. In the opening four, Eddie Regan, 126, Hartford, won over Joey Dell, 125, New Haven. Dell was down for two nine counts in the second round.

Hartford Auditorium—The card at the Auditorium on October 9 was liberally sprayed with knockouts but they were of the legitimate variety and the customers were pretty well satisfied notwithstanding the fact that they were on their way home at ten o'clock. Dennis "Pat" Brady, 127, New York, won the feature bout with a first round kayo over George Knox, 129, Elizabeth, N. J. Brady's feat of knocking Knox down twice and sending him deep into dreamland on the third trip just before the first round ended, was a very good performance. It was Brady's nineteenth victory in twenty starts.

The semi-final also ended in the first round as Bobby Polowitzer, 129, East Hartford, put the sleeper on Ray Moran, 127, Boston. A six rounder between Don Perkins, 126, Boston, and Jackie Pitts, 125, Philadelphia, went midway in the second, when Perkins finished his man with a right hand to the body. Perkins is a youngster, who is being handled by Harry Devine, former Worcester boxer. The next six ended in the first round, when Joey Polowitzer, who is getting back to his old form finished Little John, 140, Philadelphia. The opening six went the full distance and was a decision victory for Oscar Poindexter, 175, Newark, over George Gameanov, 179, Philadelphia. It was a hard fought and pleasing bout. The attendance was 1551 paying customers and a gross gate of $2,508.25.

Stanley Arena—The New Britain Boxing Club masterminded by Bobby Gleason, well known New York boxing impresario, with the assistance of Nat Rich and Wm. "Bunco" Sarra, jumped off to a flying start on October 15. In the main bout, Joey LaMotta, 152, Bronx, stopped Larney Moore, 149, New York, in the fifth round. LaMotta dropped Moore twice in the fourth round. The semi-final bout was unfortunately stopped due to a bad cut on the inside of the mouth of Miguel Arroyo, 140, Puerto Rico, after two rounds of slam-bang action. Tony Vero, ex-serviceman from Stamford, weighing 147, won. Arroyo went down twice from hard left hooks delivered to the point of his chin. Vero, a terrific puncher with either hand, is quite green. The remainder of the card made up of four four-round bouts was as follows: Frankie Palermo, 135, New York, won a decision over the veteran Billy Marcus, 133, Hartford. Sal Russo, 185, won by a kayo in two rounds over Ray Goldman, 220, New York. Johnny Ludlowe, 155, New Britain, won a decision over Charley Moore, 150, Springfield. Joe Yorfino, 220, Stamford, won by a kayo over Frankie Reid, 210, New York, after 43 seconds of the second round.

Hartford Auditorium—Nick Stato, 131, Hartford, uses his superior strength and physical condition to pound out a hard fought but decisive win over Paulie Jackson, 131, Reading, Pa., in the feature eight round bout on October 16. Stato won six of the eight rounds. He was down for a nine count in the sixth. Jackson was a cagy performer and used an awkward style to make the fight a very interesting one. The semi-final of eight rounds was a draw between Bobby Polowitzer, 127, East Hartford, and Don McLean, 123, New York. It seemed that Polowitzer received much the worst of the decision. He floored McLean five times and appeared to have the edge in five rounds. The remaining bouts, all scheduled six-rounders, finished as follows: Mike Gravino, 125, Montreal, stopped Don Perkins, 123, Worcester, at 0:52 of the third round after flooring him four times during the bout with body punches. Perkins, a good looking kid, was in over his head with the rugged veteran, Gravino. Benny Davis, 157, Mamaroneck, N. Y., won a six round decision over Anthony Ahearn, 153, New York. The rugged young Bronx mauler, Al Silverman, 139, did not have too much opposition in stopping Harry Gorin, 135, Jersey City, in the second round, for his fourth Hartford victory in five starts in the opening bout. Silverman has the makings of a great club fighter, if he gets himself in top shape for a change. The bouts drew a crowd of 1181 people, who made up a gross gate of $1865.70.

Stanley Arena—Stanley "Baby" Sims, 148, New York, won a decisive ten round decision over his fellow townsman, Vic Costa, 146, in the feature bout on October 22. Sims was master most of the way but Costa fought hard in spots. The semi-final scheduled for eight rounds was won by Jackie Connors, 141, New York, over Pete Martin, 138, Bronx, by a T.K.O. in four rounds, and was a real brawl, both boys being cut and Connors bleeding freely before he put Martin on queer street, without a knockdown. Johnny King, 151, Newark, and Jimmy Kennedy, 153, New York, boxed six hard fought rounds to a draw, though it seemed King had an edge. Joey Polowitzer, 139, Hartford, went to a draw in six rounds with his fellow townsman, Lee Abrams, 138, and this one bout also seemed to be in Abrams' favor. The four round bout which opened the show was won by Johnny Ludlow, 165, New Britain, by a decision over Sol Russo, 167, Stamford, after a hard fight.

Hartford Auditorium — Dennis "Pat" Brady picked up his nineteenth win without a loss by scoring a T.K.O. over Mario Colon, veteran Puerto Rican, in six rounds. Colon, supposedly a test for the youngster, was far from that. Brady's win was more impressive and it will take a pretty good fighter to stop his winning ways. Brady weighed 129 and Colon 131.

The semi-final of eight rounds was a tough one, with Bobby Polowitzer, 128, and Allie Minutoli, 127, going to a draw in eight rounds of the best punching duel seen in some time at Hartford. Both boys were pretty well punched out by the fifth round, but gamely carried on and Minutoli dropped Polowitzer for a nine count in the seventh round, which necessitated a stirring rally in the last round by Bobby but he pulled up his gloves and went out to slam through this round in decisive fashion.

Don Anderson, 155, Bronx, outpointed Bobby Holt, 152, Danbury, in a six round bout. Freddie Polowitzer, 132, Hartford, won by a kayo in the sixth and last round over Joey Wasnick, 130, New Haven, in a bout, which found two veterans, both out of condition, going through the motions as well as they were able with Polowitzer having a little the better of the going until the kayo punch was landed. Jimmy Saunders, 130, Jersey City, won by a T.K.O. over Pat O'Hara, 128, New York, in the first round of a scheduled four round opener. O'Hara was waved to his corner by Referee Kaplan after several trips to the canvas from hard right hand punches to the head. The bouts attracted 1,783 paid attendance and a gross gate of $2,827.45.

Stanley Arena—Joey Peralta, 137, Tamaqua, Pa., won a decisive ten round decision over Bobby Cummings, 143, New York, in the main bout at the Arena on October 29. Peralta, not too great a puncher, but a rugged, ever-trying battler, had no trouble with the veteran Cummings. The six round semi-final between Tony Vero, 146, Stamford, and Charley Howard, 150, New York, was stopped at 2:25 of the second, with Howard in a helpless condition. The next bout, also a six, was won by Lee Abrams, 138, Hartford, by a decision over Oscar Lewis, 140, Newark, after six hard rounds. Jimmy Thurman, 148, Bronx, won over Ray Laurie, 146, Hartford, in a hard fought four round bout. The opening bout found Johnny Mezza, 130, New York, winning the decision in four rounds over Dom Sasse, 128, Stamford.

New Haven Arena—Nate Mann, 191, New Haven, won by a kayo in the second round over Joe Sofia, 215, Philadelphia. Mann dropped the man eight times. The balance of the card was good but could not remove the distinctly bad taste brought on by the star bout. Tony Oshiro, 131½, New York, won a decision in eight rounds over Ernie Cabral, 133, New Haven, in a good bout. Bobby Holt, 144, Danbury, recently back from the wars, won by a kayo at 2:30 of the sixth and last round from Johnny Brenner, 145, Philadelphia. Tony Gillo, 175, New Haven veteran, went to a six round draw with Harold Glassman, 182, Philadelphia. A crowd of 2,606 paid a gross gate of $4,114.50 as a testimony to the fact that they support the promoter but he does not live up to their faith in him.

Hartford Auditorium—Willie Pep, 130, Hartford, won as he pleased over the veteran Paulie Jackson, 133, Reading, Pa., in an eight round bout which signalized the featherweight champ's return to the boxing game after his tour of duty with the U.S. Army which lasted eight months and was his second time during the past war. His first trip having lasted for nine months with the U.S. Navy. The only thing to be concluded from the bout was the fact that Pep will once again be able to gain the form that made him the classiest boxer of the past twenty years and that he seems to be a bit more formidable as a puncher. It was his 87th victory in 88 professional bouts.

The balance of the card consisted of six rounders. Joey Polowitzer, 138, East Hartford, won over Jimmy Rogers, 140, Bridgeport. Don Anderson, 158, went to a draw with Fred Latt, 160, New York, in another six. Fred Polowitzer, 133, East Hartford, won by a kayo in the fourth of a scheduled six from Joe DeMaria, 135½, Waterbury. DeMaria was down four times before the finish from a hard right to the body. Jimmy Paganelli, 157, New York, won a decision in six rounds over Chubby Wright, 160, Philadelphia, in a hard fought six, which found the veteran Paganelli's experience the factor of difference.

The fight game is really booming in Connecticut. The shows carried in the above are mostly professional shows but at Bridgeport, Bob Melnick staged two semi-pro shows in recent weeks. Details are not available but the results were reported to be gratifying.

Any boxers without managerial connections can do themselves a good piece of business by getting in touch with the writer of this column, John Kane, c/o Bernie O'Rourke, The Middletown *Press* Sports Editor, Middletown, Conn. I am interested in any fighter without a manager and not those who are running out on some managers, also managers with boxers, if they would like to book throughout Connecticut. Drop me a line and hear my story in a return letter.

Ocean Beach—Johnny Clark, 156, New York, won the decision in eight rounds over Charley Jones, 170, Newark, in the feature bout on October 26. It was a hard fought bout mostly at close quarters and Clark's superior speed and boxing ability made up in full for the fourteen pound pull in the weights enjoyed by Jones. Dave Carver, 168, won by a kayo in the fourth round of a scheduled six from the veteran Joe Popeski, 169, New London. Popeski started out like a lion but soon ran out of gas and was finally stopped midway in the fourth round. Mark Lochman, 156, Pittsburgh, won a decision in six rounds from Mike Shannon, 155, Terre Haute, Indiana. Shannon a U.S. Maritime Service trainee from Ft. Trumbull, found the tough Lochman a little too much and his boxing ability was not enough to get him over this one.

The preliminaries, all five round semi-pro bouts, were the best fights of the night and showed plenty of action. They ended as follows: Ray Cashman, 133, Middletown, stabbed and hooked with a good left hand to win over Dick Placey, 131, Hartford, by a decision in five rounds. Henry Polowitzer, 126, East Hartford, came back strong in the fifth and last round to gain a draw with southpaw Eddie Jackwin, 123, Hartford. Carey Mace, 136, Hartford, won by a T.K.O. over Ray McArthur, 140, Middletown, in the fourth round.

Ocean Beach, New London—The first show of the winter season got off to a rather bad start on Columbus Day, when one of the main bout fighters, Jerry Zullo, failed to appear, though the promoter, Jim Mundell, had a signed contract for his services on file with the boxing commission in Hartford for a week prior to the scheduled show. Al Velez, 138, Valley Stream, L. I., the other side of the show won by a T.K.O. in the first round over a willing but outclassed sub, in Danny Bellucio, 139, of the Ft. Trumbull Maritime base. The semi-final of six rounds was a humdinger while it lasted and paid in some measure for the failure of the main bout. The battlers, Mike Shannon, 151, Ft. Trumbull, and George Humes, 154, Hartford, waged a real slugfest. Shannon winning on a T.K.O. in the third round.

The remaining bouts, all three-round semi-pro bouts, were worth the price of admission. Jack Hollis, 145, New London Sub Base, won a decision over Tommy Ciascuti, 148, Brooklyn. Ray Mack, 142, Middletown, drew with Earl Crater, 148, Groton Air Station. Carey Mace, 125, Hartford, put on a slashing rally in the last round to earn a decision over Young Grasso, 125, Sub Base. Ray Cashman, 130, Middletown, won a decisive three-round decision over Jack Brooks, 132, Sub Base. Henry Polowitzer, 126, Hartford, won a knockout victory over Don Cedio, 125, Groton. The opening bout resulted in a fast K.O. win for Billy Horne, 165, Sub Base, over Walt Schofield, 168, New London.

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IN INDIANAPOLIS RINGS
By ANTHONY COPPI

THE Indiana State Athletic Commission, following the policy of the N.B.A., will issue quarterly ratings of all Hoosier mitt-tossers in the future. Following is the first list submitted by the commission: (Title in the middleweight class is left vacant. Tony Zale of Gary is recognized by the N.B.A. as world titlist in that division.)

Willard Reed, Indianapolis, now in the service, is the state heavyweight champion. His title was frozen upon his entering the army. Colion Chaney is the number one challenger.

Al Sheridan, Indianapolis, holds top honors in the light-heavy division followed by Tommy Charles and Gene Simmons.

Zale as mentioned above takes care of the middleweight class with Mike McKessick and Arnold Deer trailing.

Bob Simmons, Indianapolis, wears the crown in the welterweight class pursued by Sparky Reynolds, Roy Lewis and James Sherron.

The lightweight division is dominated by Willie Joyce of Gary. He is challenged by brother Jimmy, A. C. Lee, Ray Glenn and Robert Beamon.

There are no champions or outstanding contenders in the featherweight, bantamweight or flyweight divisions.

Several Hoosier boxers are not rated because of inactivity while serving their country, but they deserve mention. They are: Elza Thompson, Lou Thomas, Jethro Jeffers, Earl Paul, Roland Hopp, Frank Rand, all of Indianapolis, and Johnny Barbara and Tommy Pallatin of South Bend.

Al Sheridan, Indianapolis light-heavy, captured the state 175-pound crown by a technical knockout at the end of three rounds with Tommy Charles, Terre Haute, in a scheduled ten-round bout at the local Armory. The scrap was halted after an examination by the state commission physician. Charles, ahead on points by a comfortable margin, suffered a badly cut eye in the second round. He continued through the third although bleeding badly.

In a six-round semi-windup Gene Gudgill, Dayton, Ohio, welterweight, won from Sparky Reynolds, Indianapolis, in a thrilling slam-bang encounter.

Gudgill's brother, Larry, also was a winner. He decisively won over Pedro Carsonia, local middleweight, in five rounds.

John Weatherford, local Golden Glove champion in 1945, won by a technical knockout over Bob Beagley, Dayton, when the latter failed to answer the bell for the third round. The Ohioan was badly hurt by terrific body punches.

Al Small, Elwood, Ind., shaded Herb Jones, local heavyweight, in the four-round opener.

Boxing and wrestling shows will be held again in Muncie, Ind., under the promotion of Gordon Simmons of that city, who was recently granted a license to operate by the state commission.

Bob Simmons, Indianapolis Negro welterweight, cleverly outfought his way to a ten-round decision over Gene Gudgill of Dayton, Ohio, in a bout held at the local Armory. Simmons, employing a deceptive left jab and stiff right-hand punches, sent his opponent to the canvas in the second round and had him bleeding from cuts around the eyes later in the milling.

Cpl. Dave Bruce, Baer Field, Ft. Wayne, won from Benton Cobbins, Covington, Ky., welterweight, in the six-round semi-windup. The victor was credited with a knockdown in the second heat.

Larry Gudgill, Dayton, won a five-round decision from Frank Rand, local middleweight. The bell saved Rand from a knockout in the final stanza.

Tiger Jack Conway, Chicago heavy, was disqualified for a poor showing in the first round of a bout with John Weatherford, local heavyweight. The Windy City lad showed no intentions of fighting after being knocked down by a seemingly light tap.

Pfc. Al Deacon of Baer Field won over Tiger Kiggans, local welterweight, in the four-round opener.

Petty Officer 2/c Donald Gwin, a former local Golden Gloves flyweight champion in 1942, has received several decorations while serving aboard the U.S.S. *C. K. Branson*. He earned six campaign ribbons and fourteen battle stars while his ship participated in every invasion from the Marshall Islands on up to the landing of the occupation forces in the Japanese homeland.

Sgt. Shelton Bell, formerly of Youngstown, Ohio, and now stationed at Camp Atterbury, Ind., handed Al Sheridan of Indianapolis a terrific lacing in a ten-round bout at the downtown Armory. Bell, punching sharply with a lightning left, a hard right cross and damaging body punches, won every round against his game opponent. He had Sheridan down on three occasions in the second, eighth and ninth rounds. Bell is a former National A.A.U. light-heavy champion and while stationed in New Guinea won the same title there. Both belters scaled 172 pounds.

Mike McKessick, Indianapolis middleweight, pounded out a six-round decision over Frank Rand in the semi-windup. McKessick spotted his opponent twelve pounds.

A six-rounder between Roy Lewis, Muncie welterweight, and Whitman Buress, Cincinnati, favored the latter. The bout was about even, but the Muncie policeman carried the heavier wallop to gain the verdict.

Pete Leno, Cincinnati welter, and Jimmy Martin, Chicago Negro, fought to a five-round draw. Martin was the aggressor but lost two rounds for low punching. Leno scored a knockdown in the second round.

John Weatherford, local heavy, scored a quick knockout over Rees Collins, Des Moines, in 32 seconds of the second round of a scheduled four-round opener.

RING SCRAPS—Archie Hindman, state boxing czar, was in New York recently dickering for a possible big name bout to be held here on the eve of the annual 500-mile race at the local Speedway. He visited THE RING office to see his old friend, Nat Fleischer. Tony Zale, the Hoosier world's middleweight champion, versus Jake LaMotta would be a natural to usher big boxing promotions to Indianapolis. . . . One hundred and thirty-nine boxers are licensed to fight in Indiana. . . . Best nose-denters to appear here during the past year were Shelton Bell, Bob Garner, Bob Simmons, Clayton Worlds, Danny Williams, Hubert Hood and Buddy Walker. . . . Lloyd Carter, following a trek into the Dakotas hunting pheasants, threw a dinner for the press, commission members and friends. The menu was featured by the tasty fowls he brought back. . . . This writer can be reached at 1325 E. Tabor Street, Indianapolis 3.

PROFILE: Our eighth in a current series of interviews with local fight personalities deals with W. N. (Newt) Ringer, State Boxing Commission secretary. Ringer was assigned to his post by Indiana Governor Ralph Gates in April, Ringer, a native of Sullivan County, was widely known as a referee of high school athletic contests. After his discharge from the armed services in World War I, he entered the employ of the General Motors Corp. at Flint, Mich., serving as traveling personnel director. In 1923 he became a salesman for the Standard Oil Co., shortly thereafter purchasing a gasoline and oil business in Farmersburg, which he operated for 20 years. Since Pearl Harbor he has been an investigator for the Vigo Ordnance plant of Terre Haute. He has been the instigator of several changes in local boxing scenes, namely, the wearing of different colored trunks by boxers and the public announcement of judges and referees' decisions of main event boxing bouts.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS
By J. JIMMIE AMANN

CINCINNATI now has three boxing clubs operating and from the present indications, the Queen City and surrounding territory will have some high-class fight action in the coming months. Those promoting are Benny and Sammy Becker, Billy Poole, Jack Brown and George Nichols and Leonard Shallat, teamed with Harry Hartman. Thus far, Cincinnati boxing has returned to the fore with a bang.

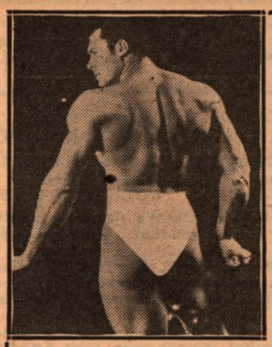
On October 9 at Music Hall, the Nichols-Brown-Poole group staged an all-star card with Jimmy Joyce, Chicago, lightweight, winning a ten-round decision over Stanley Cieslik of Detroit. Ted Christie, Chicago veteran, proved too experienced for Andy Pera, St. Louis Mexican, with Christie winning on a TKO in the sixth heat. Jimmy Beau Brown, promising Negro heavyweight from Cincinnati's West End, walloped Allen Small, Indianapolis, into sleepland in number one session. Roy Lewis, clever Chicago veteran, won a six-round verdict over Jimmy Woods, Cincinnati, in six rounds.

In the other two prelims, Pat Iacobucci, Cincinnati's up-and-coming Italian featherweight, chopped down Johnny Cooke in the fifth heat on a T.K.O. Capis Benton, Cincinnati, knocked out Babe Turpen in one round in the opener.

On October 24 the second program in Cincinnati was staged by Benny and Sam Becker. Sugar Costner was originally billed to meet Bobby Berger in the ten-round headline bout, but three days prior to the fight, Costner fell ill and Tip Ramsey, young Cincinnati Negro middleweight, was subbed for Costner. Ramsey went on to defeat Berger over the ten-round route with 1364 fans paying $2228.57 to see the show.

Pat Iacobucci, Cincinnati, won from Gene Howell, fellow-Cincinnatian, in six rounds, while Joey Palmo, Cincinnati's returned veteran, won a six-round duke over Johnny Cooke in a featherweight tilt. Pete Bat Leno, star performer of the early thirties, made a comeback and looked okay in whipping Larry Janke, Cincinnati's middleweight, in six sessions. In the opening match, Capis Benton won from Oliver Cobbins in six rounds. Both are from Cincinnati and are middleweights.

At Columbus, Ohio, on October 17, Cincinnati's Jimmy Woods, 135 pounds, and managed by Jimmy Schlank, won in ten rounds over Tiger Wills, 130 pounds, of Columbus.



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"Candy" McDaniels, Cincinnati's Negro featherweight, couldn't even get a prelim bout around here, but went down to New Orleans and in his four or five starts, got a main go on October 19, and won a ten-round decision over Ace Miller of Toledo in ten rounds.

Around Fountain Square with the punchers and their pilots—Jimmy Schlank has a good prospect in Jimmy Woods as does Otis Nelson, who handled Jimmy Brown. . . . Those interested in my fight flashes should contact Jimmie Amann, 6716 Palmetto Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. . . . this address also available to fighters of all weights, unattached and managers of good fighters who would like to show in Cincinnati and other fight spots around here. . . . Latest out of the service are Lee Cox and Joey Palmo, Cincinnati fighters. . . . Bert Williams, former manager of Ezzard Charles, has opened a new gym in Cincinnati, located on upper Vine Street at 14th. . . . My 1946 boxing promoters' and managers' *Guide* in mimeo, which I have been releasing for the past seven years, will be out early in January at one dollar each, with orders being taken now. . . . The 1946 *Guide* will feature the names and addresses of over 700 promoters, matchmakers, managers and fight contact men.

PENINSULAR BASE BOXING, ITALY
By CPL. CARL FICKENSCHER

TWO draws and one decision in favor of the Peninsular Base section team over the 92nd Infantry Division featured an eight-bout fight card held in Leghorn's Goldoni Theatre. GI fans jammed every square inch of the house for the first card of the indoor season.

Cpl. Henry Jones, Detroit, 1944 North African pro heavyweight champ, representing Peninsular Base Section, and Pvt. Otto Stowe of Chicago of the 92nd, fought to a fast five-round draw. Stowe, former sparring partner of Billy Conn and Bob Pastor, constantly bothered his hard-hitting opponent with fast left jabs. Jones at 191, spotted his opponent five pounds.

Sgt. Billy Miles, PBS flash, and four-time Indianapolis Golden Gloves champion, and Pfc. Cleveland "Spider" Brown, Cincinnati, also fought to a five-round draw in a welterweight bout.

Pfc. Carlo Litz, Albany, N. Y., repeated a clean-cut decision over Sgt. Eddie Garland, Detroit, in the only other bout to bring together the infantrymen and the huge service outfit. Litz, at 138, had the better of the going all the way as his blows to the body annoyed the Detroiter no end.

Pfc. Tut Surimoto, 130, Oakland, Calif., outpointed Albert Vannuchi, 128, Italy (3).

Dino Sera, 150, Italy, beat Pvt. Zum Zum Cududo, 148, West Philadelphia, on a decision (3).

Aladino Tosi, 149, Italy, scored a T.K.O. over Pvt. Don Besauder, 148, Chicago (2).

Pvt. Frankie (Kid) Carson, 129, Newark, decisioned Guerriero Pisani, 127, Italy (3).

Bruno Questa, 160, Italy, outpointed Cpl. Dick Sholl, 154, Galesburg, Ill. (3).

The bouts were held under the sponsorship of Peninsular Base Section Special Service Offices. Although the work of PBS is rapidly drawing to a close, following the successful war effort, many good boxers remain in the Italian Theater to furnish entertainment to the sports-hungry GI populace.

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Patsy Spataro, 140, Fought sensational fight with Tippy Larkin and beat Vince LaSalva and drew with Bernard Docusen.
Vinnie Rossano, 147, Holds decisions over Sonny Horne, George Kochan and Artie Dorrell.
Henry Jordan, 147, Held his own with Jimmy Doyle, Harold Green and Ralph Zannelli and beat Jerry Fiorello.
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Ralph Zannelli gave local boxing a lift with two excellent performances this month. Zannelli roughed it up like old times, to the delight of the enthusiastic gathering. . . . Mugsy Mandell has a few good prospects under his wing. Mandell is a very capable trainer and second, and he is a boxing director at an East Providence gym. Fighters looking for a competent and honest handler can reach him by contacting this writer. . . . Bobby Zollo scored an impressive win when he stopped the highly regarded Steve Riggio of New York. Michael Capriano, former manager of Jake LaMotta, was in Riggio's corner. Zollo has now chilled 15 of his last 19 victims. . . . Jolting Joe Celetti, local favorite, is very much in demand because of his action packed performances. He has won many admirers throughout New England and receives more offers than he can fulfill. . . . Wrestling returned to Providence at the Elks Auditorium under Ivan Michealoff's supervision. Weekly shows will be staged every Tuesday.

Jimmy Ruzzo, West Warwick light-heavy, is back in shape and is raring to go. . . . Morris Kapp has joined the Joe De Rosa stable. De Rosa's heavyweight, Joe Cotoia, made a successful debut in the pro ranks via a three round knockout.

Bobby Lancelotti, amateur star now fighting pro, is a sculptor's model. . . . Tony Araujo, Fox Point amateur star, twice Providence Junior Police Champion and CYO star, has taken Brockton fight fans by storm with a slam-bang style of battling. Araujo has won 5 consecutive tourneys defeating New England's best lightweights. . . . Benny Azevedo, former local amateur featherweight champion, has a couple of good prospects, Bob Wilson, lightweight, and Ken Dean, welterweight. . . . Ray Harmon, formerly of Hollywood, was discharged from the Coast Guard after 3½ years of service and is now boxing out of Worcester.

Jack (Knobby) King is delighted with his protege, Steve (Kowpacki) Ketchel, heavyweight, who hails from Natrona, Pa., Ketchel, E.T.O. champion, will reside in Boston and box in Sam Silverman's Clubs. . . . The local boxing commissioners are now working harder then ever before. Three pro boxing shows weekly, one wrestling show in Providence and one in Woonsocket. Also amateur shows at Marrieville and R. I. Auditorium. . . . Ken Blanden, Attleboro *Sun*, fought in 1910-1918 as a lightweight and was also manager of Young Donahue later. . . . Al Bojak, Pawtucket, is back in the gym after returning from overseas.

Notre Dame gym in Central Falls is returning to pre-war standards with many fighters coming out of the service. Ralph Zannelli, Bobby Zollo, Ernie Forte, Eddie Soares, Del Gado, Mike Butch Lucas, Joe Celetti and many others train there daily. Benny Gomez, Fox Point lightweight, is back in the gym.

LATE FLASHES—Ernie Guisti has won 32 victories in 36 starts. . . . Eddie (Nonny) Soares, Providence welter, surprised Boston fans by drubbing unbeaten Irish Bob Flanagan of Boston at Mechanics Building. This was Soares' seventh consecutive victory since turning pro. . . . Ike Williams will meet Joey Angelo here shortly under Dave Cashman's promotion. . . . Dewey Fragetta, popular boxing figure, was recently discharged from the Army. He has purchased the contracts of Tommy Rotolo, Rome, N. Y., lightweight, and Tommy Bell, a corking welter. Manny Almeida plans to vacation in Florida this winter. . . . Dick McHale is staging amateur boxing shows at the R. I. Auditorium. . . . Jimmy D'Ambra is seeking the Elks Hall for his boxing shows. . . . Del Gado, local favorite, won his second pro victory by beating Lou Tavares of West Warwick. . . . Gary Redcap Cooper of Springfield is kept very busy by manager George Ross. . . . Panther Red, New Orleans middleweight, will box in New England soon.

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Results of the Month—Ralph Zannelli, 148½, defeated Henry Jordan, 148, New York, on a split decision in ten rounds at the R. I. Auditorium. Roy Chapman, 161, won from Willis Scott, 150, New York, in the seventh round when the referee disqualified Scott for not trying. Ernie Guisti, 139, West Warwick, beat Ernie Cabral, 134, New Haven, in a fast six. 3107 paid a gross gate of $6396. Leo Gagne, 146, Fall River, knocked out Gene Russell in one round.

Joey Angelo, 134¼, Philadelphia, defeated Charles (Cabey) Lewis in a ten round main go at the R. I. Auditorium. In the eight round semi-final, John Forte, 140¼, Philadelphia, beat Oscar Lewis, 136¼, Newark, N. J. Ernie Guisti, 137¼, knocked out Leo Gagne, 146, in one round of a six. Morris Kapp, 132¼, Providence, knocked out Joey Dell, 126½, New Haven, in one round of another six. Frank Cotoia, 206, Providence, knocked out Jack Dumont, 175, New Haven, in the third round of an opening four.

Southbridge, Mass.—Joe Celetti, 141, Providence, drew with Tommy Daniels, 139, Garfield, New Jersey, in a ten round main go.

Rhode Island Auditorium — Ralph Zannelli, 145½, Providence, knocked out Neva Esparza, 145, Mexico, in the fourth round. In the eight round semi-final, Jerry Darby, 128, New York, knocked out Joey Gatta, 129, Brooklyn, in the second round. Ernie Guisti, 138, decisioned Archie Gibbons, U.S. Navy, in six rounds. Morris Kapp, 131¼, Providence, beat Carter Holmes, 136, Boston, in six. Bob Ryan, 156, Worcester, defeated Johnny Checko, 158½, Providence, in four. Frank Cotoia, 214¼, knocked out Carl White, 181, Worcester, in one round in the opening four. A crowd of 4054 paid a gross gate of $8,859. One of the largest gates in years.

At Elks Hall—Bobby Zollo, 147½, Providence, knocked out Steve Riggio, 146½, New York, in the fourth round of a ten. In the semi-final, Eddie Soares, 150¼, knocked out Mickey Colton, 158, Boston, in one round. Billy Murry, 132, Boston, beat Jack Carrol, 125, Lawrence, Mass., in six. Bobby English, 128, Fall River, beat Joe Montiero, 130, Wareham. Del Gado, 137, Providence, made a hit in his pro bow by beating Bobby Conova in a fast four.

At Salem, Mass.—Joe Celetti, East Providence lightweight, defeated Floriant Desmarais, Manchester, N. H., in a ten round main bout. 1,600 fans turned out to see the first boxing show in more than 20 years.

At Marrieville Gardens—Steve Kronis, 127½, Boston, beat Harold Gibson, 126½, in a ten round main bout. Ernie Guisti, 138½, beat Patsy Zoccano, 141½, Toronto, in a six round semi-final. Wayland Douglas, 146, New York, knocked out Billy Alvarez, 145½, Puerto Rico, in the second of a six. Leroy Saunders, 138, Jersey City, knocked out Chuck Munroe, 139½, Brooklyn, in the first. Ruby Roberts, 165, New York, beat Johnny Checko, 159, Providence, in four.

PITTSBURGH FISTIC NEWS

By FRANK T. McQUAIDE, JR.

DOLL RAFFERTY, lightweight fighter from Milwaukee, Wis., had a chance to meet his hometown fistic rival, Juste Fontaine, either here in Pittsburgh or in Milwaukee in the near future, but he lost that chance on October 23, by taking a beating from the hands of the wily, aggressive and determined Gene Burton of New York at The Gardens.

Both Burton and Rafferty have appeared here this past summer. Burton fought to a draw with Sammy Angott and Rafferty gained a decisive nod over Joey Peralta in a second fight after winning a booed decision in their first encounter.

Previous to their last bout, there was a group of fans who believed Rafferty and Fontaine would be the ideal set-up for a sell-out show, but Burton busted that bubble by flooring Rafferty twice in the hectic third round for nine counts and from the third round on Rafferty was a very busy fellow, dodging the two fisted attack of the determined Burton. Much to the surprise of some 2700 fans Rafferty lasted the ten rounds, and the decision of the officials was unanimous for Burton.

Burton weighed 140, Rafferty 136½.

In a substitute semi-final, Art Robinson, 155, of Pittsburgh, kayoed Tony Prizoso, 158, Richmond, Va., in the third round. In a six rounder, Henry Jackson, 168, Steubenville, Ohio, decisioned George Sapolich, 168, of Johnstown, Pa. In a second six rounder, Ray Jackson, 138, Pittsburgh, Pa., won a decision over Jimmy Knight, 139, San Francisco. Willie Jenkins, 149, Homestead, Pa., kayoed Danny D'Angelo, 148, Pittsburgh, Pa., in a four rounder.

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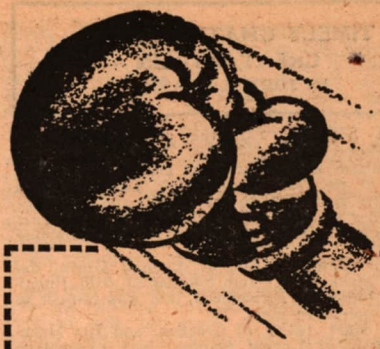

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TIMELY CHATTER FROM GREAT BRITAIN

by JOHN S. SHARPE

TOM SMITH, 132, the clever Sunderland featherweight, outpointed Dave Finn, 135, Southern Area lightweight champion, in eight rounds at the Queensberry Club, London. Smith frequently beat Finn to the punch, and made the latter miss with his wild swings. The Northerner was a clear winner at the end of a scrambling bout.

Arthur Danahar, 146, of Bethnal Green, did not put much energy into his contest with Jimmy Moore, 146½, of Birkenhead, and was content to win on points in eight.

Mark Hart, 161½, of Croydon, and Jim Hockley, 160¼, of Covent Garden, both ex-amateur champions, put up a good bout for eight rounds. Hart was declared the winner.

Cliff Anderson, 118¾, who claims the bantamweight title of British Guiana, proved too fast for Cliff Morris, 123, of Wales, in their eight round contest, and Morris's efforts in the last two rounds, could not stop the Negro from gaining a points victory.

Tommy Barnham, 138, of Fulham, who has spent 4 years in a prisoner of war camp, knew too much for Dennis Chadwick of Bridlington, and won on points in six rounds. Jim Lydon, 158¼, Ireland, outpointed Cyril Johnson, 160¾, Nottingham, in six rounds.

Johnny Best, the genial Liverpool Stadium promoter, has plans to stage the world's-Empire-and British flyweight titles in March next at the Anfield Football Ground, Liverpool, Jackie Paterson and Joe Curran are sure to draw a very large crowd as both are popular fighters, and a hard bout is anticipated.

George Odwell of Camden Town, was given an easy journey when he faced Jack Merino of Bridgewater. The latter suffered a badly cut eye in the fourth round of a scheduled eight round contest. The referee stopped the contest in Odwell's favor, at The Caledonian Road Baths.

Mark Hart of Croydon stopped Eddie Lust of Canada in the fourth session of a six round bout after the latter had taken two counts, the referee stopped the contest in Hart's favor. Billy Taylor, Chiswick, outpointed Billy Cunningham, Kew, over eight rounds. Pat Cubis, the deaf and dumb boxer from Luton, scored a K.O. win over Ernie Ward, Kingston, in the second round.

Billy McLean, Bathgate, won clearly over Moss Leen, Tralee, in the feature ten round contest at Glasgow.

In the other contests, Frankie Naro, Dinbarton, K.O.'ed Ted Waldron, Warrington, in the second of a ten round contest. George Green, Warrington, outpointed Billy Moore of Clydebank, over ten rounds. Frank Martin of Glasgow K.O.'ed Johnny Hook of London in the fourth round.

Boxing in Ireland is again taking its place in the sports world, and some very useful fighters will eventually find their way to the top for matches with some of the English, Scotch and Welsh first-class fighters.

At Belfast, Bunty Doran, 114½, Belfast's challenger for the flyweight title, scored a four round K.O. over Ronnie Bishop of Wales, after having things all his own way.

Pat O'Connor, Cork, outpointed Alec Woods, Randalstown, after a close-ten rounds contest. Jimmy Ingle, Dublin, and Dennis Chadwick, the southpaw lightweight from Bridlington, fought an eight round draw. Jackie Holland the Belfast amateur, gained a narrow points decision over Al Gibson, Belfast, in his first professional contest, over eight rounds.

Henry Hall, the smart Sheffield welterweight, forced Billy Moorcroft of Liverpool to retire in the sixth of an eight round contest at Doncaster.

George Dilks, the hard hitting Barnsley middleweight, K.O.'ed Dennis Skidmore of Grimsby in the fifth round of an eight round bout. Jimmy Saxton, Manchester, defeated Sgt. Hughes on points in six rounds.

A special tournament at the Liverpool Stadium on the occasion of "Victory Week" saw Bert Hyland of Dublin defeat Johnny Boyd, Peterborough, in the second round of a ten round bout when the referee stopped the contest owing to Boyd having sustained a very bad cut eye.

Billy Ross, Scotland, outpointed Cyril Wills, Shrewsbury, in eight rounds. Jimmy Sale, London, outpointed Len Davies, Crew, on points in another eight round contest. In a six round contest, Frank Williams, Birkenhead, defeated Al Benton, Birmingham, on points.

Billy Sinclair staged another successful show at The Dome, Brighton, when Arthur Danahar of Bethnal Green, again defeated Gwyn Williams of Wales. in eight rounds on points.

Dave Finn of Stepney, 134, retained the Southern Area Lightweight Title when he again defeated Dave Crowley, 132, Clerkenwell, on points, in 12 rounds.

P. O. Ben Duffy, R. N., was too good for Bob Ramsey of Stepney, who seems to be having too many contests in so short a time, to do him any good. Ramsey was always second to the sailor, who was a ready winner at the end of eight rounds.

Al Marson, Stepney, outpointed Ernie Woodman, Battersea, over six rounds, and Cliff Anderson, British Guiana, K.O.'ed Eddie Middle, Weston-Super-Mare, in one round.

Mahmoud Ezzat, Egyptian Flyweight Champion, and his country's representative in the last Olympic Games, fought a defensive battle to last the distance over six rounds against the brilliant London flyweight, Terry Allen, who is serving with the Royal Navy in the Middle East.

Allen scaled 113 pounds and Ezzat weighed 119 pounds.

The bout drew a capacity crowd at The Municipal Stadium, Alexandria. After the third round it was all Allen, and he finished in front by a wide margin.

Ken Shaw, Scottish Heavyweight Champion, won over Alf Brown of Catford, over eight fast rounds at the De Montfort Hall, Leicester, although there was very little to choose between the two lads at the close.

It was Shaw's aggressiveness that gave him the edge, and he floored the Londoner for a short count in the sixth round.

Brown, less showy, boxed well, but could not make up the lee-way, the bout ending with Shaw receiving the decision.

Henry Hall, of Sheffield, one of the up-and-coming welterweights, scored another good win, when he outpointed Liverpool's Dick Shields, in eight rounds.

Hall tried desperately for a coup-de-grace, and although he floored the Liverpudlian for nine, in the fourth round, he was unable to apply the finishing blow.

Bunty Doran, of Belfast, won on points over Jimmy Gill, of Nottingham, in eight fast rounds.

Billy Innes of Scotland, knocked out Basil Magee of Liverpool, in the fifth round of a scheduled eight rounder.

Vernon Ball of Pontypridd, defeated Tommy Plowright of Ilkeston, the referee calling a halt in the seventh of a scheduled eight round contest.

Tommy Cummings of Leicester, defeated Moe Walker of Leicester, in the third of a scheduled six round contest.

Wally Roberts of Melton, defeated Johnny Fitzpatrick of Manchester, on points in six rounds.

Jim Hockley of Covent Garden, had a convincing win over Paddy Roche, Irish Guards, at the Caledonian Road Baths, when the referee intervened in the second of a scheduled ten round contest, to save Roche further punishment.

The Irish boy, who substituted for Dave McCleave, took a long count, and much punishment before the end.

Billy Taylor of Chiswick, outpointed Doug Furey of the RAF, over eight rounds, giving the latter quite a rough journey, flooring him for three long counts, in the sixth round.

Pat Cubis of Luton, the deaf and dumb boxer who has been making quite an impression in London rings, won over Jack Merino of Bridgewater, in the fifth of a scheduled six round bout, when the referee called a halt with Merino suffering a badly cut eye.

Albert Finch of Croydon, won over Ted Barter of Kingston, over the six round course.

Pat Palmer of Battersea, knocked out Johnny Brickwell of Enfield, inside two rounds.

I am indebted to *The Egyptian Gazette* reporter for the story of a boxing show on H.M.S. *Blenheim*, in Alexandria harbor

The well-deck of H.M.S. *Blenheim* in Alexandria harbor proved an ideal setting for the boxing tournament organized by Leading Stoker Oliver, with Terry Allen, the Navy's flyweight star, as matchmaker.

Some 1,500 sailors crowded around the specially constructed ring, whilst others occupied vantage points rising high above the deck.

The boxing was good. One of the highlights of the evening was a three round exhibition between Sergeant Harry Craster, ex-Northern Area professional light and welterweight champion, and L.A.C. Tommy Spalding, welterweight champion of the forces in the Middle East.

Hussein IbRahim, Alexandria lightweight champion, secured a narrow points decision over H. Sig. Ambrose, a last minute rally when he scored with several hard swings, enabling him to make up arrears.

Substituting for Aly Zaki, Hassan Khattab was rather a lucky winner over L.A.C. Burke, who also faded in the last round, but had collected enough points in the first two rounds by use of a long accurate left that only a kayo could have lost him the decision.

Another ex-Egyptian champion, Aly Tammam, lost by a narrow margin to A.B. Hughes in a hard hitting flyweight bout. P.O. Morgan piled up enough points with a smart left against Sig. Hall, who put up a plucky fight, and was the best loser of the evening. Sapper Bridge scored points with orthodox lefts but made the mistake in mixing it with his hard hitting opponent, Leading Seaman Donno, and paid the penalty in the second round, when a hard right to the body put him down for the full count.

C.P.O. Gannon and L.A.C. Duke were well matched in a lightweight contest and the former's experience and better work at close quarters earned him the decision. L.A.C. Grego and Sapper Smith had a good battle, with the airman just getting ahead through a late rally, when he scored to the head and body. Pete Dryden outpointed Sapper Wheeler in a hard-hitting welterweight bout. Sapper Betts scored a K.O. over P.O. Keeley in the first round with a hard right to the body.

The evening closed with a three round exhibition between Terry Allen and Stoker Jackie Beham, after which the prizes were presented by Commander Bennitt, R.N. Commanding Officer. Officials were Major Jacobs, UDF; Major Wragg, RTC; and H. Wolf. Master of Ceremonies duties were in the capable hands of ERA Watson.

The following is quoted from *The Egyptian Gazette* sent to me by their boxing reporter.

Terry Allen, Royal Navy's brilliant flyweight, 110, unbeaten since he joined the professional ranks nearly three years ago, took 3 minutes and 15 seconds of actual fighting to dispose of Sayed Mustapha, 115, Egypt's outstanding bantamweight, before a capacity house at The Alexandria Municipal Stadium.

The contest was scheduled for eight rounds.

Mustapha, known for his hard hitting, tried a hard right swing in the first minute of the start. Allen, on the alert, slipped it neatly and then let loose a barrage of perfectly timed lefts and rights that pulled Mustapha up in his stride.

Allen allowed a swing to pass his chin by a neat turn of his head, then attacked the Egyptian with both hands to head and body, finishing with a well connected right to Mustapha's face, dropping him to the canvas for five. He was just able to get to his feet when the bell came to his rescue.

As soon as the bell went for the second round, Allen drew his man and the latter fell into a clinch at the break. The Sailor feinted his man and forced him to lead. Allen then crossed him neatly to the chin which dropped the Egyptian like a log. The latter managed to beat the count but was at the mercy of Allen who again sent him down with a volley of lefts and rights to the jaw, to be counted out.

Jimmy Molloy of Liverpool, 140½, won over Dick Shields, 144, of Liverpool, in the seventh of a scheduled ten rounder, when Shields retired after taking severe punishment.

Stan Hawthorn of South Shields, won over Mick Gibbons of Belfast, over eight fast rounds.

Eddie Douglas of Liverpool, won over Billy Stagg of Notting Hill, in the first of a scheduled eight rounder, when Stagg suffered a badly cut eye.

Dave Edwards of Liverpool, won over George Ratner of London, in the first of a scheduled eight rounds.

Alf Stewart of London, won over Norman James of Liverpool, in the third of a scheduled six rounds contest.

Sammy Reynolds of Wolverhampton, 113, won over Joe Curran of Liverpool, 110¾, in the second round of a scheduled ten round contest at Wolverhampton, when Curran's eye was so badly injured in the second stanza that the referee wisely stepped in and applied the closure.

Cliff Curvis of Swansea, knocked out Tommy Plowright of Ilkeston, in the sixth of scheduled eight round contest, when Curvis, a southpaw, sent a smashing left to the jaw which floored Plowright for the full count.

Billy Biddles of Birmingham, gained a quick win over Johnny Price of Manchester, who was knocked out in the first of a scheduled eight rounder, with a terrific punch in the solar-plexus.

Les Jones of Tredegar, defeated Jack Lewis of Bournemouth, who retired at the end of the seventh of a scheduled eight round contest, with a badly cut eye.

Charlie Knock of Hanley, won over Jimmy Bray of Liverpool, in the fourth of a scheduled eight round contest, when the referee stopped the bout, as Bray had received a badly cut eye.

Johnny Molloy, 132, St. Helens, outpointed Paddy Dowdal, 135½, Dublin, in the feature bout at The Stadium, Liverpool. George Dilks, Barnsley, punched too hard and often for Jock Gibbons of Manchester, in their scheduled eight round bout, and only two rounds were necessary for the latter's seconds to throw in the towel, as their man was well beaten. Eddie Douglas, Liverpool, gained a points win over Al Lloyd of Manchester, after eight rounds. Rugger North, Barnsley, outpointed Johnny Fox, Liverpool, over eight rounds.

Dave McCleave, Battersea, made a return to the ring at Luton, when he defeated Trevor Burt, Wales, in the fourth of an eight round contest, the referee stopping the contest.

Joe Curran, 111, Liverpool's little stick of dynamite, gained a points victory over Rinty Monoghan 111½, of Belfast, in ten rounds before a packed house at Johnny Best's Liverpool Stadium.

Mick Gibbons, St. Helens, won over Jack Humphreys, Leeds, in the fifth round when the referee intervened.

Al Hutt, Burma, and Jackie Bryce, Glasgow, drew after eight rounds of good battling. Tommy Braddock, Shrewsbury, won on points over Dave Edwards of Liverpool, in eight rounds. Frankie Kelly, Liverpool, outpointed Ike Pratt, West Hartlepool, in another eight round bout.

Jack Solomons, London's go ahead boxing promoter, is extending his boxing activities to Paris, as well as Dublin and London.

Jack has joined hands with Joe Longman to stage bouts in the French capital at The Palais

de Sports and The Salle Wagram. This means he will be able to offer contracts to the leading American fighters to appear at the three Capitals.

Through these promotions it will soon be able to clear the air for undisputed European titles. The French Boxing Federation has invited the British Boxing Board of Control to form an International Federation, and name the first president of the new body.

This fine gesture, I am sure will lead to an amicable understanding between the leading European boxing bodies. Col. R. E. Myddleton, the present chairman of the B.B.B.C., will be their first choice.

The first show in Paris under the Solomons-Longman promotion was a bad send off for the British representatives who were badly overmatched. Tommy Davies, Welsh Middleweight Champion, was asked to meet Marcel Cerdan whom I consider one of the best middleweights in the world.

The bout lasted 2 min. 55 secs. of the first round, for Cerdan let fly a terrific left hook that put the Welshman down and out, and it was some time before Davies was able to leave the ring.

Bob Ramsey of Stepney, was the next to oppose Battling Hai, a Negro of West Africa, who will soon trouble the best. Ramsey is always certain to put up a good bout against any opposition, but it will surely tell in time. He put up a good performance in lasting the distance of ten rounds, but was the receiver in most of the rounds and lost on points.

Harry Davies of Bethnal Green, was matched against Omar Kouidri, Welterweight Champion of France, and he put up a game resistance for five rounds before he was compelled to retire, leaving Kouidri the winner.

NEW ENGLAND FISTIC NEWS

By DAN "DOC" AVERY

BOSTON, MASS.—Timothy "Buddy" Hayes, 126, Boston, KO'ed Leo Mucucci, 129, Portland, Me., in the 8th round at Mechanics Building. This was a return match. The first was won by the Portland lad a few weeks ago by a decision in ten rounds. Jackie Harris, Malden, 127, KO'ed Jerry Zullo, Chelsea, 135, in the semi-final in eight. Boston's latest heavyweight, Art Ramsey, 203, KO'ed Frank Urban, 200, Paxton, two. John Henry Eskew, 158½, Brockton, KO'ed Charlie McPherson, 162, New York, one.

Holyoke, Mass.—Eddie Compo, 128, New Haven, Conn., won a one-sided decision in eight rounds at the Valley Arena over Mario Colon, 130, New York, and chalked up his 17th straight victory.

Providence, R. I.—Steve Kronis, Boston, southpaw, 130, won over Harold Cannonball Gibson, 134, New York, 10. Ernie Guisti, 138½, West Warwick, R. I., won over Patsy Zoccano, 141½, Toronto, six.

Worcester, Mass.—Dave Andres, 138, Lowell, won over Jeff Holloway, 136, N. Y., ten. Charlie Sardo, 155, Boston, KO'ed Billy Campanale, 156, Cambridge, six.

Fall River—Freddie Camuso, 152, Fall River, won over Ernie "Cat" Robinson, 153, Jamaica, N. Y., ten. Don Goulette, 137, Lynn, KO'ed Bernie DeVine, 134, Worcester, two.

New Britain, Conn.—Baby Sims, 148½, New York, won over Vic Costa, 148, New York, ten. Jackie Connors, 148, Newark, N. J., TKO'ed Pete Martin, 147, N. Y., four.

Fitchburg, Mass.—Kenny James, 156, Waterbury, Conn., won by a TKO over Basil Mazera, 157, Cambridge. Pat Correnti, 139, Waterbury, Ct., KO'ed Ray Allison, Boston, 133, one.

Providence, R. I.—Jerry Darby, 128, N. Y., KO'ed Danny Gatto, 129, Brooklyn, two.

Holyoke, Mass.—Reedy Evans, 169, Hackensack, N. J., won over Johnny Carter, 166, Philadelphia, Pa, 10.

Worcester, Mass.—Tim "Buddy" Hayes, 126, Boston, KO'ed Ray Moran, 124, Detroit, three.

Providence, R. I.—Bobby Zollo, 147½, East Providence, KO'ed Steve Raggio, 146½, New York, four.

Worcester, Mass.—Johnny Moran, 157, Boston, KO'ed Maurice Cloutier, Manchester, N. H., 156, four. Oscar St. Pierre, 148, Fall River, KO'ed Baby Tiger Flowers, 142, Worcester, seven.

Boston, Mass.—Walter "Popeye" Woods, New York, won over Coley Welch, Portland, Me., in a one-sided ten rounder at the Goodwin A.C. show. Both boys weighed 165. Billy Tordiglione, Boston, 146, and Abe Kaufman, 145, New York, drew in eight.

Hartford, Conn.—Nick Stato, 131, Springfield, Mass., won over Paulie Jackson, 131, Reading, Pa., in ten rounds.

West Springfield, Mass.—George "Wildcat" Wilson, 158, New York, won over St. Paul, 165, Springfield, ten.

Milford, Mass.—The Milford A & S Club staged its first show on October 24. Anson Green from Homestead, Pa., 178, K.O.'ed Stanley Hatch, 180, Philadelphia, Pa., in three rounds. Al Smith, 131, Boston, K.O.'ed Battling Johnny Parvia, 135, Boston, in two. Bat Battalino, 135, Boston, K.O.'ed Chick Jones, 137, Roxbury, in three. Eddie Moran, 134, Roxbury, K.O.'ed Billy Murray, 134, Worcester, one. Danny Randall, 168, Boston, won over Jimmy Kayeo, 165, Worcester, four.

Boston, Mass.—Johnny Cesario, 143, Hartford, won over Ceferino Bronco, 149, Fall River, ten. Tommy Moore, Boston, 126, beat Bobby English, 129, Fall River, ten. Broadway Johnny Jones, 150, New York, and Freddie Camuso, 150, draw, ten. Henry Eskew, Brockton, 168, K.O.'ed Bill Johnson, 163½, New York, seven.

Fitchburg, Mass.—Jean LaBlanc, 135, Fall River, K.O.'ed Yvon Cote, 138, Montreal, seven. Johnny Marra, 155, Boston, K.O.'ed Al Carson, 156, New York, four.

Holyoke, Mass. — Eddie Compo, 128, New Haven, won over Mario Colon, 127, New York, eight.

Worcester, Mass.—Tim "Buddy" Hayes, 127, Boston, K.O.'ed Frankie Conn, 129, New York, five.

Worcester, Mass.—Pat "Pinkey" Foley, 134, Worcester, won over Vince Dell 'Orto, 135, New York, ten. Johnny Johnson, 156, New York, K.O.'ed Joe Albanese, 157, Boston, five.

Fall River, Mass.—Bill Zaduks, 139, Boston, K.O.'ed Oscar St. Pierre, 140, Fall River, three.

Providence, R. I.—Rocky Lescio, 137, Brooklyn, beat Jimmy Pierce, 141½, Vancouver, eight. Tony Vera, 149, Stamford, Conn., won over Allie Wolfe, 140, New York, eight.

New London, Conn.—Al Velez, 138, Valley Stream, N. Y., K.O.'ed Dan Belluccio, 139, New London, one.

Holyoke, Mass.—Neva Esparza, 143½, Mexico, beat Patsy Spataro, 149, New York, ten.

Providence, R. I.—Joey Angelo, 134½, Philadelphia, beat Charlie Lewis, 128¾, New York, ten.

New Britain, Conn.—Joey LaMotta, 152, New York, K.O.'ed Larney Morris, 149, New York, five.

Fitchburg, Mass.—Johnny Cool, 138, Worcester, beat Ernie Cabral, 139, New York, 10.

Hartford, Conn.—Pat Brady, 127, New York, K.O.'ed Georgie Knox, 128, Newark, N. J. eight.

Bangor, Me.—The ten round bout between Jerry Zullo, Chelsea, Mass., and Allie Wolfe, Brooklyn, N. Y., was stopped in the fifth round by Duncan MacDonald, chairman of the Maine State Boxing Commission, who said the fighters were not trying. Each boy weighed 134.

Holyoke, Mass.—Kid Chickens, 154, New York, beat Harold Jamaica Smith, 149, Philadelphia, Pa., ten.

New Britain, Conn.—Joey Peralta, 140½, Tamaqua, Pa., beat Bobby Cummings, 143, Philadelphia, ten.

New Haven, Conn.—Natie Mann, 191, New Haven, Conn., K.O.'ed Joe Sofia, 215, Philadelphia, Pa., two. Tony Oshiro, Newark, N. J., 131, beat Ernie Cabral, 133, New Haven, eight.

Boston, Mass.—Al Red Priest, 154, Cambridge, Mass., beat his fellow townsman. Referee Johnny Martin stopped the bout in the fifth round. Fred Cabral, the fellow townsman who weighed 155, took a good licking.

Milford, Mass.—Walter Speedy Duval, 159½, Philadelphia, and Jackie Caparell, 165, Boston, draw, eight. Ernie Knapps, 157½, Milford, K.O.'ed Al Carson, 156¾, Manchester, N. H., three.

Providence, R. I.—Ralph Zannelli, 148½, this city, beat Henry Jordan, 148, New York, ten.

New Haven, Conn.—Eddie Compo, 126, New Haven, Conn., beat Tony Oshiro, 127, Newark, N. J., eight.

Holyoke, Mass.—Joey Angelo, 134, Providence, R. I., beat George "Dusty" Brown, 136, ten.

Fall River, Mass.—Vinnie Vazzo, 132, Boston, beat Gene LaBlanc, 135, Fall River, eight.

Fitchburg, Mass.—Johnny Cool, 138, Worcester, K.O.'ed Bat Battalino, 137, Boston, one. Chuck Jackson, Manchester, N. H., 133, K.O.'ed Billy Smith, Medford, Mass., 133, four.

Providence, R. I.—Walter "Popeye" Woods, 168, New York, K.O.'ed Coolidge Miller, 167, New York, eight.

Boys who are discharged from the services and wish to enter the boxing game should contact the writer for bookings. Give age, color, experience, weight, and send a photo.

The Milford Athletic and Social Club of Milford, Mass., now operating weekly shows, would like to have managers contact them at 1783 Washington Street, Boston.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.

By JIM ECHOLS

BEFORE a disappointing crowd of about 1400 odd fans the Liberty A.C. presented a ten round main go featuring Aaron Perry, of Washington, recent Army dischargee, and Jack Larrimore, of Miami, Florida. Larrimore, who subbed for ailing Chuck Taylor was no match for Perry, and ended up on the TKO side of the score sheet when Referee Charley Reynolds mercifully stepped into the picture after 2:03 of the second round had elapsed to save a wobbly Larrimore from further punishment.

Perry, although slow afoot, continually stalked the Floridian who was backing away from Aaron's murderous right. Larrimore was dropped for a nine count in the opening seconds of the second stanza and never fully recovered. Perry scaled 150 to Larrimore's 142.

In the eight round semi-windup Pete Virgin, 132, New York City, kayoed Joey Longo, 128, Baltimore, in 2:10 of the first. Virgin lost no time in finishing Longo using a short straight right as Longo bounced off the ropes.

In a six, the only bout to go the distance, Ossie Rodriguez, 126, New York City, decisioned Lester Howe, 126, Baltimore. The opening five ended in a T.K.O. when Harry Preston, 144, New York City, stopped Ralph Turner, 145, Washington, with an overhand right as the bell sounded. Turner failed to come around in time for the second round and Preston was the victor.

Very poor show, with attendance off.

Bee Bee Washington, the District's middleweight hope, continued his winning ways at the expense of Ray Rovelli, of Union City, N. J., in Joe Turner's bi-monthly show at the arena. Although "Double B" suffered a cut eye in the seventh, and Rovelli was closing fast, the unanimous decision was awarded the local lad at the end of ten rounds. Rovelli was content to fight at long range during the early rounds and it was then that Washington was piling up points with his stinging left and used an occasional right to take pot shots at Ray's head. With Rovelli putting on a finishing splurge in the last 3 rounds, Bee Bee used a two-fisted attack to finish on top. Washington scaled 160½ to Rovelli's 158½.

In the semi-final six round bout, Charlie Millen, 145, Baltimore, decisioned Norville Gaddis, 148, Washington, in a fast mill. Millen piled up points in the opening rounds, and although Gaddis spurted at the finish, Millen was too far ahead to be topped. In a scheduled six, Bobby Parsons, 188, Washington, kayoed Arthur "Red" Jeter, 181, Washington, in 1:40 of the third.

Two fours completed the card with Art Bethea, 146, Washington, winning over Artie Brown, 146, Washington, and B. Z. Washington, 150, Washington, barely eking out a win over Emmett Harris, 150, Washington. Entire card very good, with a gross of $4,838.95.

Joe Turner presented three eight round headline bouts in an action packed card at the Arena on October 29, for his bi-monthly fight card. In the best of the three bouts, Herbie Jones, 126, Washington, engaged in his first pro action in the district and won a clean cut decision over Babe Kelly, 120, Philadelphia. Jones has been campaigning outside of Washington, due to the fact that he was under 18. Jones showed to good advantage against Kelly, copping the unanimous decision. The second eight, pitted Jackie Cranford, recent Coast Guard dischargee, against Carrington McNutt of Baltimore. Although Cranford looked a little dusty, due to a long layoff, he should improve with more work. However, he had enough on the ball to outlast McNutt. Cranford tipped the scales at 181¼ to McNutt's 182.

Charley Millen, 141, Baltimore, and Oscar Wright, 136½, Washington, locked up in the third eight with Miller coming out on top. Millen is getting to be somewhat of a spoiler in these parts having defeated several of our more promising local fighters. He used a left to advantage in keeping the onrushing Wright at bay. For a fighter who collapsed twice in the ring while a member of the Marine Corps, our advice to Wright would be to hang up the gloves. Another bout or two might be too late.

In a scheduled six, Jimmy McGriff, 142, Washington, kayoed Ben Davis, 147½, Baltimore, in 1:05 of the first. McGriff found his opening, blasted away, leaving Davis hanging on the second strand of rope to be counted out.

Bobby Parsons, 190, Washington, emerged victorious via the TKO route over Al Davis, 190, Washington, when Davis failed to come up for round number four. Parsons had a hectic first round. He went down for a nine count, but he came back to split Davis' eye and to win the bout.

In the opening four, Emmett Harris, 147, Washington, knocked out Eddie Lyles, 141, Alexandria, in 2:26 of the first. It was a slugging bee while it lasted.

The entire card was excellent with a near capacity house in attendance.

In a good heavyweight fight, Lee Q. Murray of Norwalk, Conn., decisioned Washington's adopted son, Yancey Henry, in a ten-round main go at Uline Arena. Both boys had fought twice previously and no doubt they were accustomed to each other's style. After a first-round eight-count knockdown, Murray elected to stab Henry with long lefts and rights, and used his height and reach to good advantage. Lee Q. further confused Henry by shifting from a right- to a left-hand stance and back, but Henry worked well on the inside. Henry was the aggressor, but his punches lacked authority. Murray tipped the beam at 208½ to Henry's 193.

The eight-round semi-windup saw the favored Pete Virgin, 132, New York City, bow to Benny Daniels, 129, Newark, in a good bout. All three officials were unanimous in awarding the decision to Daniels. In a scheduled six-round preliminary and possibly the best bout of the card, Harry Preston, 145, New York City, kayoed Jesse Lang, 144, Baltimore, in 1:30 of the fourth. Lang used a good left to advantage, but Preston bobbed and weaved, countering effectively and finally wearing down his rangy opponent.

In another six, Ossie Rodriquez, 129, New York City, won via the T.K.O. route over Billy Reed, 124, Baltimore, in 1:40 of the third when Referee Ray Bowen stopped it.

The opening four saw Rufus Cummings, 165, Washington, kayoed by the North Carolina Kid, 165, Charlotte, N. C., in 20 seconds of the second round. Attendance poor with fights fair.

Before 2091 persons who booed lustily, Sammy Angott of Washington, Pa., was awarded a ten

round decision over Danny Kapilow of New York in the star bout at the Uline Arena. Although Danny lost the first round due to low blows, he easily copped seven out of ten rounds according to this reporter's score card. Unfortunately, the referee and two judges saw the fight differently, as all three gave the nod to Angott.

Danny floored Angott in the second and eighth rounds, but this evidently failed to impress the officials. These two knockdowns appeared to give Danny the edge. Angott scaled 143, Kapilow 143½.

The semi-windup, a six, saw Laverne Roach, 149½, Cherry Point Marine, kayo Hughie Stell, 148, New York City. Roach, National Golden Gloves titlist, finished off Stell in 2:30 of the 2nd.

In a six, staged after the main go, Howie Brodt, 148½, Cherry Point, decisioned Andy Faison, 149½, New York City, and Al Highers, 140½, Cherry Point, drew with Billy Terry, 139½, Washington, in another six.

Ossie Rodriquez, 129, New York City, and Lester Howe, 130, Baltimore, fought a draw in five, while Harry Preston, 142, New York City, knocked out Lou Phillips, 145, Baltimore, in 2:33 of the first.

The net gate was $4261.80.

FIGHTIN' WORDS FROM TOLEDO
By ED HACKLEY

FIGHT fans here generally concede that the first effort of the Ohio National Sporting Club resulted in one of the worst fight cards ever held in Toledo. A good house was sent away disappointed. Besides a lack of action, the card was marred by the fact that none of the boys had ever shown here before. Only one local fighter, Willie Woods, scored a win in the curtain raiser.

Bill Parsons of Chicago came through with a late rally to win over Abie Kaufman of Philadelphia in the ten round feature. Kaufman was outweighed and outgunned, and sought refuge in clinches throughout most of the bout.

In the semi, Vern Mitchell of Detroit, who boasts a string of 14 kayoes, added another at the expense of Herb Jones of Indianapolis. Jones was down more than a dozen times, but it did not seem that he was hit solidly on any of his trips to the canvas. The referee finally stopped it.

In the sixes, Jerry Pittro, Chicago, lost to Tommy Charles of Indianapolis in an affair that was marred by continuous clinching. Johnny Abbott, Cleveland, flashed the only classy exhibition of the evening in beating Sparky Reynolds of Indianapolis. Reynolds has been a crowd pleaser wherever he has boxed, but he was way off form. Reynolds served as a none too good foil for the sharpshooting Abbott.

In the curtain raiser, Willie Woods, Toledo, beat Kid Barkley, Indianapolis, in a good fight. It was the first pro start for Woods.

Address all mail to Ed Hackley, 71 Brand Whitlock, Toledo 2, Ohio. Would also like to hear from Toledo fighters in service. The Onyx Club, Toledo's pioneer in wartime boxing, has folded, due to disagreement between its members. Sid Goldberg is now connected with the Ohio National Club as business manager.

Another club, the Buckeye, was slated to open here this month with Frank Pacassi as matchmaker, but for reasons unknown, indefinitely postponed its opening.

It is rumored that a third combination is considering entering the promotional field here. Toledo will support weekly boxing shows. It is hoped that no fiascos will ruin the budding fight game here.

Toledo's second fight show of the month, presented by the Ohio National A.C. was a distinct improvement over their initial offering.

The main event saw Gene Spencer, Chicago, stop Ernie Petrone of New York in the fifth of a scheduled ten. Spencer made a good impression as he showed coolness under fire. He drew leads and countered as methodically as if he were engaged in a game of chess. Petrone forced the fight throughout but Spencer made him fight at the pace that suited him, and easily cut him down.

Perry Mason, Toledo's fast rising young 155 pounder, made it eight kayoes in ten fights as he stopped Bill McClure, Detroit, in the third of the semi-final. McClure was a substitute for Joe Valdares. Although outweighed by 15 pounds, Mason had little trouble belting his man out.

Johnny Ousky, 151, Toledo, beat Swingin' Sammy Mack of Columbus in a six. Both boys fought hard and were very tired at the finish. Mel Sperry, 215 pound State highway patrolman, was given the decision in a four rounder with Willie Davis of Columbus. And I mean given. The crowd booed for ten minutes.

Willie Woods, 160, Toledo lost to Paul Darby of Detroit in another four that was packed with action. The boys slugged all the way and got a big hand at the end.

Larry Moreland stopped Jose Monterubio of Detroit in the curtain raiser. Larry tipped Jose over with a left when the round started, and then a hard right hand dropped him for keeps.

Toledo will not get back many boys from the war. Walt Evans, former welter star, dropped us a line from the Veterans Hospital in Cambridge, Ohio. He has a bad leg and it is very doubtful if he will box again.

Any unattached fighters wishing to show here would do well to contact the writer at 71 Brand Whitlock, Toledo 2, Ohio. Also any managers who send a list of their fighters, with their records, to me, will have them turned over to the promoter here.

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA
By DANNY MYERS

AT Wilkes-Barre, on October 18. Harrisburg fighters came through victorious, at the benefit show sponsored by the Wilkes-Barre Armory. The show was held for the benefit of Mrs. Johnny Dezinsky and her two children, following the fatal boxing match in which her husband Johnny died as the results of injuries sustained in a Scranton, Pa., ring.

The house was well filled for a good cause and Frankie "Blinky" Palermo of Philadelphia and his fighter, Billy Fox, turned in their end of the purse, $500 for the benefit.

Billy Fox, 168, Philadelphia, Pa., recently discharged from the Armed Forces scored a K.O., his 32nd straight win, over Eddie Rossi, 168, Boston, Mass., in the first round.

Brown "Kid" Lee, 121¾, Huntington, West Virginia, managed by yours truly, won by a K.O. in the third, over Hal Arrington, 126, Binghamton, New York. The time was 2:37.

Pedro Sanchez, 132, Mexico City, who is doing his Pennsylvania work under the guidance of Hyman Bernstein and Sgt. Buddy Knight of Harrisburg, came through with a T.K.O. victory over Jimmy Calcagni, 135, Brooklyn, N. Y., in the fourth.

Teddy Turner, 146, Philadelphia, Pa., was the victim of a T.K.O. loss in the first round when Aster Rice, 142, Binghamton, N. Y., opened a severe cut over the optic of Turner. The referee stopped the fight between the first and second stanzas. Rice was floored in the opening minutes of the fracas.

Wally Baden, 194, Scranton, Pa., stopped Joe Martin, 202, Old Forge, Pa., in the opening round.

Mickey Belletierre, Hazelton, Pa., at 139 pounds, took 2:40 of the first round to rock Chino Rosses, 134, of Havana, Cuba, to sleep.

I am handling the following: Neal Stokes, 160, Detroit's slugging middle; Bobby Ross, 160, who has met the best in the game; Sailor Jack Thompson, 168; The Shawnee Kid, World's Indian Lightweight Champion; Brown "Kid" Lee, 125 pounder. I am booking the following: "Larry" Hardy, 160; Harry Rose, 118; Tommy Daniels, 133; Louis "Kid" Williams, 143; Tommy Mollis, 150; Charley Marshall, 162; Joe Davis, 150; Ben Davis, 148; Sammy Daniels, 147. My address is 3304 Spring St., Harrisburg, Pa.

CAMP CROWDER NOTES
By SGT. DUANE YARNELL

THE greatest fight turnout in Camp Crowder's history—16,000 fans—witnessed the recently completed Post Boxing Championships. The tourney was a three night stand, and such blood letting has not been seen in these parts since the Osages used to defend the south bank of what is now known as the Lake of the Ozarks against all comers.

The lightweight division saw the hottest competition, with eight men in action the first night. Dale Miles started with a narrow decision over Elisco Mendoza. John Babernitz won over Norbert Fahey by a wider margin, while John Matar was decisioning Nathan Jackson and Jake Wynn was taking two out of three rounds from Mike Amdor.

In the welter class, Joe Fazio decisioned Farrel Cowan on opening night.

Jack King started it out by stiffening Wayne LePaul in two cantos. Heavy belting Charles Earley hung a second round TKO on Ed Frenzel and Herb Schmidlapp TKO'ed Luther Dunn early in the second.

In the middleweight division, Bob Valentine decisioned John Gurin to stay in the running.

On the opening night, Mello Puglisi got a decision over light-heavyweight Clyde Roberts, and Fred Bailey scored a two round TKO over Paul Lloyd.

With the first night out of the way and the stronger competitors still in the running, the semi-finalists lived up to advance billing.

Charles LaFontaine took the first and third heats to decision young Arvid Johnson. Thomas Toyama, who was inducted in Hawaii and can't yet figure out why he doesn't draw overseas pay, established himself as a crowd favorite by cleverly outpointing Charles DeBow. A side tip to managers looking for future meal tickets: This boy Toyama is a one-hundred-twelve pound buzzsaw, who, with a little professional sharpening, could carve out quite a hunk of boxing history.

John Mezzano used a sharp left to keep John Hunter out of range and got a decision in three.

Young Dale Miles, short on experience, but long on courage, kept coming back for more from John Babernitz, and after a torrid third round, copped a popular, well-earned decision.

John Matar took Jake Wynn in three heats, coasting the last two.

Paul Watts battered Joe Matthews all over the canvas for a part of one round and came up with a TKO. Harold Ryan stopped too many of Lloyd Waggoner's lefts and the ref stopped it in the first.

John Robb and Herb Schmidlapp swapped mid-ring punches for three solid rounds, with Robb getting the nod in the three heats.

Charles Earley, probably one of the hardest hitters in Crowder history, caught up with Jack King in the second round, parlaying a left hook and a right cross into a clean knockout.

Fred Bailey wound up the semi-finals by scoring several knockdowns in the first heat of his battle against Arthur Johnson. The ref awarded Bailey a TKO at the end of the first heat.

Six thousand fans turned out for the finals. After popular Tommy Toyama had been awarded his bantam title by forfeit, Paul Watts came in to take a low blow from John Mezzano and, as a consequence, the title to the feather division.

John Matar, a defending lightweight champ, met a game and courageous young Dale Miles. Miles took everything Matar could dish out in the way of body punches, and landed an occasional flurry himself, but the more experienced Matar got the TKO nod late in the final heat.

Lloyd Waggoner won the welter title by completely outhitting Joe Fazio early in the first round. Fazio was dazed halfway through the round and the referee stopped the fight, giving the title to Waggoner.

Charley Earley met John Robb in the senior welterweight division. This was a shooting match to the crowd's liking and the two sluggers fought it out on even terms through two rounds. But in the final round, Earley's hard punching began to take a toll and he was given the decision.

Bob Valentine won the middleweight crown with a classy TKO over Dave McNeal in three. Fred Bailey became light heavy titlist over Mello Puglisi by default. In the heavyweight class, Walt Meyer outlasted Ted Coopwood in a wild swinging melee and was given the unanimous nod by the judges.

Ruby Lazole scored a decision over Sam Ross in a light heavyweight match.

There is a lot more behind boxing's popularity at Camp Crowder than meets the eye. The almost 500% increase in crowd participation has its roots in a lot of spade work behind the scenes. Under the direction of Lt. William Strawbridge, more than a dozen ex-pros and amateurs have been working to make boxing popular.

One of the backstage workers is Harry Schrier, former cornerman for champion Barney Ross.

Another hard worker is Artie Salzman, son of boxingman Jack Curley. Artie, in addition to refereeing, has given a lot of his time toward the promotion of interest and the instruction of youngsters.

BOXING NEWS FROM PARIS
By PFC. JACK SCHWARTZ

PARIS—Marcel Cerdan, pugilistic pride of the French populace, continued his merry knockout spree with two impressive one-round kayoes. The dynamic-punching Cerdan finished the veteran Kid Janas of Belgium, and an Englishman by the name of Tommy Davies in 1:55. Both fights took place in Paris' Palace de Glace. In scoring over Davies by the kayo route, Marcel accomplished a feat that Englishmen Ernie Roderick and Jock McAvoy were unable to perform. One more fight and Cerdan hopes to sail for America. Already he is warning U. S. boxers to watch out.

Frankfurt, Germany—Men of the 508th Parachute Inf. Regt. have collected $5000 for the widow and two children of Pfc. Francis Bottorof, 26, of High Grove, Calif., who died following an injury suffered in a boxing match with Kid Souve of the Third Inf. Div. Bottoroff, who had 68 amateur fights in the States before entering the Army and who won two victories representing his regiment, was knocked out in the second round of the bout at Schwabischehall, near Heilbronn. In the dressing room he complained of a headache, and he died, presumably of concussion and hemorrhage.

Paris—Sgt. Felipe Ramirez, Texas middleweight, is on his way home for discharge after 20 months overseas.

Sgt. Verne La Cross, California middleweight, is in the hospital again for an operation for a cataract on his eye. Both Ramirez and La Cross were on the Camp Kohler, Calif., boxing team, as was Sgt. Buddy Gomer, former middleweight contender.

Bud Steiner, assistant to Lt. Strawbridge, has also been a hard worker, Steiner, former Canadian amateur champion, has spent his Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Field house, directing workouts of men interested in the squared circle.

Marty Moskowitz, ex N. Y. amateur, assisted Steiner in the Field house classes.

IN VANCOUVER AND VICINITY
By JIM JOHNSTON

SOUTHPAW FREDDIE STEELE, Vancouver featherweight, is the latest sensation in the Northwest.

Steele, a former Golden Gloves champ, scored a clean-cut K.O. over Joe Ballard of Yakima at Bremerton, Washington. Steele, weighing 126, battled on even terms with the 130-pound Ballard in the early rounds. In the fifth southpaw Steele went in for the kill and unleashed a murderous left hook to drop Ballard for the full count.

Jack Allen, Vancouver middleweight, was to have fought Tony Kahut on the card but the bout was cancelled due to an injury suffered by Kahut. Lloyd Rolph scored a good win in the feature attraction.

An attempt is being made to match Dave Castilloux and Phil Palmer, Vancouver welter, now in New York, for the Canadian welterweight title. Such a bout would draw a sell-out crowd here.

Kenny Lindsay, featherweight champ of Canada, has received a discharge from the Air Force and may soon be seen in action in Spokane. Before the war Kenny was top contender for bantamweight honors. In his last bout in February, Kenny and Joey Dolan drew 8000 fans to Vancouver's Forum.

Seattle's first boxing show in two years was staged October 10, when Johnny Lovett, Philadelphia lightweight, decisioned Duke Harris of Bremerton over the six-round route.

The semi-windup definitely stole the show when Freddie Steele, the hard socking Vancouver southpaw, battled to a sizzling draw with Rafael Sanchez of Portland. Steele puzzled Sanchez more than somewhat throughout the six rounds but a strong finish by the Portland toughie earned him a draw.

Ford Vigor, Vancouver welter, and Ralph Garrison also battled to a stand-still after four rough and tumble rounds. Vigor was the aggressor throughout and dropped Garrison in the second stanza.

Joe Kahut, Portland light-heavy, will battle Gus Lesnevich for the light-heavyweight title at Portland in January. Kahut recently ended Fitzie Fitzpatrick's knockout streak when he decisioned the Cleveland Irishman. Joe Waterman, who is promoting the event has guaranteed Lesnevich $30,000. It will be the first title bout in the northwest since Tony Zale K.O.'ed Al Hostak at Seattle in 1940 to win the middleweight crown.

Freddie Zimmerman, former Vancouver heavyweight, now living in San Francisco, writes to say that he may return to Vancouver soon to box. Zimmerman was a protege of the late Ted Moore.

Phil Palmer dropped us a line to say that he would be home for Christmas. Phil just got over an attack of flu. Palmer has compiled an impressive record since leaving Vancouver 15 months ago, his last victim being Joey Peralta.

Jack Allen, who for a time trained Palmer, is now making a comeback. Allen, former Australian welterweight champ, has scored 44 K.O.'s out of 50 bouts. He is being booked by Yours Truly. My address is 4889 Blenheim Street.

DIEHARD FIGHTERS WIN TEAM MATCH IN KARLSHAFEN, GERMANY

THE 309th Infantry Boxing Team turned in an impressive victory, over the 310th. The Diehard fighters won five of the seven bouts, scoring two knockouts. Chuck Miller and Johnny King were particularly outstanding.

Feature bout of the afternoon was between Chuck Miller, Division Welterweight Champ, and Rocky Ruiz, a heavier, rugged little ringster from Los Angeles, with Miller the winner.

Biggest surprise came when Tony Barbaro, 135 lb. Brooklyn boy, floored Lou Prince with a right hook, in 40 seconds of the first round, and then proceeded to knock him cold with another right in the first round.

Johnny King, husky Tarheel from AT Co., came through in a blaze of glory in his first time in a ring. He blasted his heavier Diploma opponent with dynamite lefts and rights. The bout was halted in the second.

Danny Taylor looked good as he whipped Joe De Angelis in the opening bout. Babe Grasso, hard-hitting 309th slugger, handled Joe Fallack with ease.

Dave Esworthy lost a close decision to Blitz of the 310th, in a wild free-swinging bout that had the crowd roaring. The Diehard ringmen's only other loss was Tanner, a newcomer who was knocked out of the ring twice in the first, and went down for keeps in the second.

Coaches Tommy Yarosz and Tony Costa deserve a lot of credit for their team's showing.

Referee Capt. Hawkins of the 15th Inf. did a good job, as did the announcer, Lt. Dick Williams, of the 310th. Judges were Lt. Robert A. Durk of 310th, and Lt. Arthur H. Kelley of How. Co. Lt. Carl Hagen of AT Co. was timekeeper.

TEX-HOMA NEWS
By CLYDE SMITH

WITH the exception of amateur fights, there was little activity during the past month in the Oklahoma territory. Oklahoma City staged a Golden Gloves show of 21 fights in which several good prospects were unearthed. Ardmore had some simon-pure battles. It is hoped that things will brighten as the winter sets in.

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UTAH-IDAHO-MONTANA-WYOMING
By CARL E. HAYDEN

CAL SMITH of St. Anthony, Ida., former Intermountain heavyweight champion and now sheriff of Fremont county, reports that he injured an ankle last summer and that his boxing days are over. He will be remembered for his series of six headline bouts with Arcade (Windmill) Pierce of Provo, Utah, on cards that featured the annual American Dog Derby at Ashton, Ida. The dog derby, halted by the war, attracts national and international attention.

Joe Parker, former promoter of boxing and wrestling at Idaho Falls, Ida., has returned to the city from Salt Lake City, Utah, where he has been employed in a war plant. Parker foresees the need for a boxing gymnasium at Idaho Falls, and indicates his interest in resuming promotion of professional fights.

WEST VIRGINIA NOTES
By MICKEY DAVIES

DICK DEUTSCH wrangled quite a deal with city officials in securing Huntington's City Auditorium for his boxing and wrestling shows. Dick presented "ole man time" Ed "Strangler" Lewis and Red Vangone in his opening program with Vangone winning handily. The seating capacity for the recently acquired arena is 3,500.

The Owens Illinois Co. held a smoker in Huntington. Dick Pogue acted as matchmaker and offered two four-round bouts and a battle royal. In the first scrap, Sterling Willey, 132, outpointed Harvey Mitchell, 137, in an action packed bout. Middleweights Charlie Moore and Billy Jackson boxed to a four round draw. A Negro battle royal opened the entertainment, with the contestants tossing punches with great vigor, and from all parts of the ring.

Jack Rowsey didn't fare so well in his second start since making pro boxing a career. Jack, a middleweight, was K.O.'ed in the sixth round by Tip Ramsey, Cincinnati Negro. This was a ten round supporting bout to the Sugar Costner-Oscar Suggs headliner held at the Queen City's Music Hall on September 26.

You can expect great things out of Sgt. Regis Patrick O'Brien, USMC, when he dons civvies again. The writer served overseas with O'Brien and had the opportunity of seeing him work on several occasions. "The Mick" is a heavyweight and hails from McKees Rocks, Pa. He packs a K.O. wallop in either mitt and is a master boxer. Keep your eye on this Irish leatherneck.

A plug here for Charlie Warren, genial WCMI sportscaster, for his blow by blow description of the bouts held by Harry DeVore at the armory in Huntington. Warren, a native of Los Angeles, is a veteran at sports announcing, having worked all over the nation covering all types of events.

Between rounds—Some swell fight shows have been staged in nearby Cincinnati recently. . . . Another gym popped up in Huntington last month with Chet Hicks as the operator. . . . Georgie Williams is on the comeback trail. . . . He is handled by the writer. . . . Credit Paul Black with having more RING magazines on hand than any person in the state. . . . Some issues date back to 1934. . . . Norman Tweel, after being stopped by Tommy Woodward, has decided to hang 'em up. . . . Buzzy Keefer, one time flyweight, is now connected with a lumber firm. . . . Kid Monk, another ole timer is preaching these days. . . . Ed Barry is residing in Los Angeles. . . . Harvey Mitchell, after serving four years in the army and being honorably discharged, has decided to re-enlist. . . . Good luck Mitch. . . . Harry DeVore is an ex-marine. . . . Likewise Charlie Moore and Charlie Warren. . . . Johnny Roberts, a great fighter a few years back, is now a bouncer at a night club in Chesapeake, Ohio, being assisted by Glenn Banfield, another good little fighter. . . . The revival of boxing in West Virginia has brought several good boys out of retirement.

Would appreciate notes from other sections of the state. You can contact the writer, Mickey Davies, 7th Ave. Gym, 830 7th Ave., Huntington, W. Va. Boxers without managerial tieups seeking work in this section should contact the writer at the above address. Please enclose photo and complete data with your first letter.

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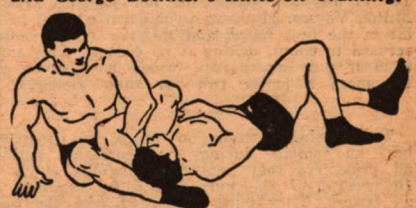

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WISCONSIN BOXING GOSSIP

By PINKY MITCHELL
Former Junior Welterweight Champion

A FLASHY left jab, an over hand right which spilled Juste Fontaine, Milwaukee lightweight, in the first round and a short right uppercut in close won the decision for Dave Castilloux, Canadian champion, here in October. To Juste's credit it should be said he was game under punishment, was the aggressor throughout and never stopped trying for a knockout. The 10th round found both boys throwing everything they had while the crowd stood shouting its approval. It was a great scrap. Both fighters weighed 135. The gross gate was $15,095.00.

The decision was unanimous. Fontaine lost two points in each of the fifth and ninth rounds for foul blows, the fifth round blow adding to Dave's margin and the ninth round foul costing him an even break in Jamieson's scoring and the round in the scoring of the judges.

In the eight round semi-final, Micky Quack, 119½, Pittsburgh, made a hit in beating his heavier opponent, Chico Mars, 130, Mexico. Julius Fidler refereed.

Alvin Jordan, 138½, Milwaukee, technical knockout over Juan Zaragosa, 143¾, Mexico (2:25 of third). Referee, Jamieson.

Bob Pryor, 143, Chicago, knocked out Joey Milano, 141¼, Milwaukee (1:10 of first). Referee, Fidler.

Milton Varsos, 147¾, Milwaukee, stopped Johnny Mathews, 140¼, Chicago (10 seconds—no contest). Referee, Jamieson.

Dick Czerniak, 143, Milwaukee, knocked out Elmwood Brown, 131½, Chicago (2:10 of first). Referee, Jamieson.

An Orchid to the boxing commission which met right after the fight and fined Zenoff's Victory Sports Club $200 for violation of the rules "which resulted in unsatisfactory preliminaries." It also fined Johnny Mathews, Chicago Negro, $40 of his $50 purse for not fighting against Milton Varsos. Mathews went down without being hit in the first round and Referee Ted Jamieson refused to count, calling it no contest. This same $200 if put into purses, would have given the customers a better run for their money.

The Boxing Commission which let down the bars on forfeits during the depression notified all promoters that henceforth forfeits equal to 10 percent of the purses, will be required of all boxers. They must be posted with the commission five days prior to the date of the contest. This action by the commission is a good one and should have its effect in cutting down last minute substitutions which have hurt boxing here recently.

Eddie Metrie, manager of the Golden Gloves gymnasium, announced that the gym would continue its policy of permitting prospective tournament entries to train without charge. Fred Saddy is the tournament coach and Charley Nevada, the tournament director. Nevada has done a splendid job with the tournament, running four nights and at times has had two rings in action. The tournament has played to capacity.

The Milwaukee *Journal* is sponsor of the tournament in this state. Russ Lynch is its sports editor with Sam Levy pinch hitting with boxing yarns on Old Time fighters who have appeared here.

Harold Steinman, once prominent fight manager who handled Johnny Paychek and King Levinsky when they were heavyweight "big shots," was in this city for two weeks with his Roller Skating Vanities. Last year the show did $127,000. This year Harold says they will do $175,000 and put over 100,000 people through the turnstiles. He sure has a great show.

Beloit, a city of slightly over 40,000, got its first taste of professional boxing on October 25. T. M. Ellis, president of the Beloit Sports Club, gave the fans a swell show and the Armory, seating 2,000, was packed. Gross gate was $2210.

In the windup, Marion Rhoeten, 130, Milwaukee, was outpointed by Ted Christie, 130, New York, in eight rounds. Although butting with the head is a foul, Milt Varsos, 146, Milwaukee, lost a TKO to Busby Prior, Pittsburgh, in three. The boxing commission stopped the bout. It took four stitches to close the wound in Varsos' forehead after the bout. Gene Spencer, 136, Chicago, KO'ed Jimmy Martin, Des Moines, 140, in 2:12 of round two. Leroy Scales, 165½, Chicago, KO'ed Tommy Pate, 170, Milwaukee, 1:30, in round three. Dick Czerniak, 140, Milwaukee, beat Herman Mills, 138, Gary, Ind., in four. Charles Swidler, Les De Camara, judges; Earl Olson, referee.

MINNESOTA NEWS

By BILLY COLBERT

FRANKIE SPARGO, former boxer, and W. J. McDermott from Huron, S. D., are planning a number of boxing shows for Huron, S. D. . . . Sgt. Ray Heling, former RING representative from Wisconsin, now in the Army at Camp Atterbury, Indiana, is managing some good fighters and would like to show his boys in Minnesota. . . . Blaine Young, promising middleweight, is in the Navy and stationed at Yosemite, California. . . . Sgt. Roy Westfallinger is now out of the Army and in business at Los Angeles, Calif.

Before 6000 fans Jackie Graves, Austin, Minn., featherweight, 128, knocked out Ham Wiloby, Trinidad, Spain, 122, in 1:47 of the first round. Graves never looked better and was punching hard with both fists before he dropped Wiloby. The gate was around $12,000.

Johnny Hubbard, Milwaukee, 175, protege of Eddie Metrie, knocked out Billy McClure, Minneapolis, 197, in the second round. Ray Spurlock, Kansas City, Mo., 158, won the decision over Bill Johnson, 165, Chicago, in six rounds.

Billy Heath, Des Moines, 138, and Fred Denny, Minneapolis, fought to a draw in four rounds. Charley Padalino, Detroit, 162, stopped Kid Taylor, Des Moines, 158, in the fourth round of a six rounder.

Sgt. Clark W. Wright, 6209 Ravenswood Ave., Chicago, Illinois, would like to hear from his friend Johnny Hanchen who was also in the service overseas with Clark. . . . Don Murray, Washington High School football and basketball star, is a star amateur boxer in the welterweight class. . . . Vern Salwasser, amateur lightweight, looks like a good prospect. . . . Gene Running, 140 pounder, is training for a busy season in the amateur ranks.

Frank Cobb, middleweight from St. Paul, and last year's runner-up in the N. W. Golden Gloves, is under the direction of Speed Lauridsen. . . . Matt Morrelli, the little flyweight, shows the most promise for a beginner since the days of My Sullivan. According to Jack McDowell the former state referee this kid will be a champion in a couple of years. . . . Chief Crazy Horse, welterweight, lost an unpopular decision to Royal Martin this month! The fans liked the Chief and he is a cinch to be boxing again for Pinkie George. . . . Floyd Hagan, U.S. Navy, now boxing in California, knocked out Pete Romero in the first round of a six-rounder in San Diego, Calif. Hagan is getting his discharge December 1 and expects to be back in the Twin Cities December 15. . . . Hamburger Mike Hagan is now stationed in Arizona. Handsome Jack Jersey, local heavyweight now in the Navy for four years, should be back in St. Paul soon.

Spike (Hearse) McCarthy, the trainer, is telling everyone what a great puncher Floyd Hagan is. Spike received the name "Hearse" from Jimmy Donohue, a St. Paul fight fan. The reason: He is always dragging in the dead ones to the corner. . . . Don Buchan of Davenport, Ia., has a good welterweight in Joe Lowery. . . . Solly Goldstein, who managed fighters in the Twin Cities twenty years ago, is now in the beauty supply business in Minneapolis. . . . Harry Davis is the boxing instructor at the Phillis Wheatley House in Minneapolis. Jack (Parson) Tierney is the instructor at Unity House. Earl Kane is at the De La Salle High School.

Lee Savold, the St. Paul heavyweight, is training for future bouts in Paterson, N. J., and will be boxing in St. Paul in the near future. He is handled by Bill Daly, one of the best fight managers in the game.

Send in your boxing news to the writer in the Hamm Bldg. before the 5th of the month. Subscribe to THE RING and send it to the boys in the service.

Bill Hawkins, RING Correspondent from Sioux City, Ia., has a large stable of boxers. Contact him in Sioux City at 2101 Lafayette Street. . . . Mike Gibbons is all smiles these days because all his boys are coming home from overseas. Danny Gibbons, the youngest, in the Marines for three years, is now in San Francisco expecting his discharge. . . . Sgt. Karl Malm is now back in Park Rapids after 3 years with the Army in Germany. Karl now tips the beam at 260 pounds! . . . Soft Shoe Louie Katz, the program man for the boxing club, is back in the U.S. after 2 years in the So. Pacific.

Fighters getting out of the service and planning a boxing career can contact Emmett Weller at the Gibbons Gym in the Hamm Bldg., in St. Paul.

TYNDALL FIELD FIGHT NEWS

By ARTHUR R. ANDERSON

BOXING at Tyndall Field continues to be one of the chief forms of entertainment. Fight fans still flock to the outdoor arena whenever a card is scheduled. Here are the results of recent cards:

Gerald Pitts of Alabama scored a knockout over Johnny Cornwall of Kentucky in the second round. Both boys weighed 145 pounds.

Pat Toal, a 150 pounder from New Jersey, won a decision over Tom O'Malley, 160 pounds, Chicago.

In a fast moving affair, Bud Schell, a Pennsylvania middleweight, beat Woody Weaver of Washington, D. C.

Johnny Clarke, Brooklyn middleweight, won an unpopular decision over Jerry Herrington of Pennsylvania.

In the welterweight clan, Nick Masuco, 147, won the nod over My Vernon of Pennsylvania.

On another card, Gerald Pitts scored another kayo in the second round by stopping Nick Spindorio.

Nick Masuco lost a decision to Pat Toal.

My Vernon found Johnny Clarke a very hard man to hit and lost in three rounds.

Milford Love, Ohio slugger and Jerry Herrington fought three blistering rounds to a draw.

Tom O'Malley and Walt Fields, middleweights, battled to a draw.

A straight right to the jaw by My Vernon, the Golden State glover, dropped Carl Stahl of Cleveland, Ohio, in one minute and 25 seconds of the first round.

In a fast featherweight match, James Quigley, from Nashua, N. H., and Claude Cooper, of Boston, fought to a draw.

Nick Masuco won a close decision over Carl Shots in the 145 pound class.

Bob Schell outslugged Nick Spindorio in a welterweight bout.

Johnny Clark and Vince Wright battled three rounds to a draw.

Pat Toal won over Art Tourville.

One of the largest crowds ever to witness a boxing card at Tyndall Field, turned out to see Maxwell Field Bombers gain a 5 to 3 win over the local post team.

A/C Marv Bentley of Aurora, Ill., outpointed Claude Cooper of Boston.

Gerald Pitts of Gadsen, Alabama, evened the score in the next bout when he whipped A/C Irwin Conenfeld of New York City. They are in the middleweight class.

A/C Dick Andres of Pontiac, Michigan, beat Bob Schell of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pat Toal was too much for A/C Dick Lothrop, and he easily outpointed the Maxwell Field bomber.

In the best fight of the night, Mack Hogan, Memphis, Tenn., met A/C Harry Bennett of Farmersdale, N. Y. Both boys were willing to slug it out but Bennett had the better of the infighting. A terrific right hook to the body in the third stanza was the deciding punch of the fight.

A/C Bill Cross of Cleveland, Ohio, was no match for Joe Wright of Louisiana, Mo., and was dropped after 43 seconds by the Tyndall pugilist's left hand.

Giving away 14 pounds to A/C Glenn Parks, Shamokin, Pa., proved to be too big a handicap for Joe Clark of New York City. Parks weighed 174 to 160 for Clark.

What might have been the best go of the evening ended abruptly when Ed Sokolowski of Sioux City, Iowa, cut Tom O'Malley of Chicago over the left eye forcing the referee to stop the bout in the opening round. They are middleweights.

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BOXING IN CUBA
By MILT BARON

HAVANA boxing followers got plenty of thrills last month. Good contests were seen at the Sports Palace and packed houses were the result of good matchmaking.

Miguel Acevedo, Cuban featherweight champion, is the fighter of the month. Acevedo scored a seven round knockout over Filio Prado of Mexico, after he gave the tough and rough Mexican contender a real artistic lacing. Filio Prado's name meant something here after he scored two knockouts over Wilfred Mayet, Cuba's ranking lightweight. Acevedo is a darned good performer and looks like he can meet any featherweight in the world.

Luis Galvani, Cuban flyweight champion, won easily in ten rounds from Kid Guinche of Santo Domingo. Galvani's speed dazzled Guinche, and Guinche was lucky to be on his feet at the end. Ramon Castillo, bantamweight, scored a one round K.O. over Jose Antonio Gonzalez, the San Jose Lajas Idol.

Kid Bururu, Cuba's dusky lightweight dancing master, drew in 10 rounds with the veteran Mexican warrior, Carlos Malacara. Malacara bored in constantly only to find the elusive Cuban out of reach. Bururu poked at will and danced rings around Malacara, but a draw verdict was fair.

Zurdo Del Higuamo, Santo Domingo middleweight, scored a flashy one round knockout over Roberto Aguilera. Armando Puenti Pi put Joe Rodriguez away in the third canto, and Remigio Lugo easily beat Jorge Canovas in four.

Diego Sosa, one of Cuba's outstanding bantamweights, outpointed Kid Guinche of Santo Domingo in a good ten round contest. Sosa's educated left jab played havoc with Guinche's nose and the Santo Domingan battler just couldn't help but chalk up another defeat in Cuba. This Guinche kid is a mighty game little scrapper and is always welcome here.

Santiago Sosa, former lightweight champion, outpointed Oriental Bon Bon in ten rounds of good fighting. Sosa showed flashes of his championship days. Congo Guevarra beat Kid Yirac in eight rounds.

Kid Barquerito, who appeared to be the best of the lot of Santo Domingo boxers now in Havana, scored a surprise kayo over Pedro Poey of Cuba in the ninth round after Poey had the fight in hand since the opening gong. A wild swing caught Poey flush on the jaw in the ninth and put him to sleep.

Luis Godoy is the "Tex Rickard" of Cuba in boxing promotion. Godoy has big ideas and always puts them over. Mr. Godoy has done quite some traveling and has picked up points here and there. His cards always jam the rafters, and he has plans for some real spectacular boxing shows this winter in Havana.

Luis F. Gutierrez, better known in local boxing circles as "Pincho," has opened up a gymnasium here in Havana. It is a very huge affair, very well equipped and a real popular fellow. "Kid Chocolate" is boxing instructor there. The "Keed" and "Pincho"—a team so popular—make this gymnasium the center of attraction in training quarters.

WRESTLING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By TED YAMACHIKA

VETERAN Charlie Carr, Territorial Junior Heavyweight Champion and holder of THE RING Magazine championship belt, successfully defended his title against another veteran, Don Carver, before a packed house at the local auditorium recently. Carver, Judo expert of the first rank, who had come out of retirement only about six months ago to work up to the challenger's position, was getting the better of the argument during the short time the bout lasted. The end came suddenly when Carr deftly dodged one of Carver's famous flying blocks.

With nothing to check his speed, the challenger landed head first among the ringside seats and knocked himself out cold. The two minute intermission failed to revive him and referee Charley Shiranuhi raised Charlie Carr's hand. In all the thrill-packed match lasted less than 18 minutes, the shortest local championship match on record.

This was the seventh time that Carr has successfully defended his title since he was crowned champion about three years ago. During that time he has lost a number of times in non-title matches, but anytime the title was at stake he has been simply unbeatable.

One of promoter Al Karasick's latest importations is Fred Marco. A performer with lots of speed Marco made a hit in his first appearance. He won his next two bouts rather handily. However he met his first setback at the hands of the capable Jimmy Gonsalves, one of the best Island products, in his most recent bout.

Nick Nichols is again wrestling and doing all right. Buck Lee, one of the two Chinese grapplers in the Islands, is laying claim to being the roughest of his nationality in the world. Bucky O'Neill and Joe Mitchell remain the top villains in the absence of Sammy Cohen. Ben Pilar, veteran Filipino wrestler, still remains unbeaten by his countrymen. Two more local boys have turned to professional wrestling. They are Blackie Adachi and Charley Takase.

IN BRITISH GUIANA
By COMPTON SANTOS

YOUNG ABRIGO, flyweight champion of British Guiana, stepped out of his class and defeated Young Montana for the bantamweight title, before a large crowd at the G.F.C. grounds, Georgetown. This was the second meeting of the two boys, Montana having scored a K.O. in their first encounter. Until the tenth frame, Montana was the master, but in that very round Abrigo connected with a solid left hook to the jaw that dropped the bantam king for a nine count. This cost him the fight. Abrigo finished strong to win the twelve round classic. Montana weighed 118; Abrigo, 114.

The first bout of the night saw Al Reid taking the play away from Young Agard in a tame affair. The winner scaled 138 to 134 for his opponent.

Duncan Blair and Jonathan Kenedy put on a fine boxing display until the fourth round, when Blair was seriously cut over the right eye coming out of a clinch and the referee stopped the bout, awarding it to Kenedy on a TKO. Kenedy at 142 had a four pound pull in the weights.

Len Houston regained his welterweight crown before a large crowd at Georgetown by again defeating Al Prescod via the TKO route. The bout was given to Houston through a very bad bit of refereeing on the part of Stanley Chee-a-Tow. Prescod was the winner all the way, Houston losing every round when in the tenth and last frame Len dropped Prescod with a hard right to the jaw, but the referee never sent Houston to a neutral corner. As Prescod started to rise Houston was standing over him hitting his man even before his hands had left the canvas. The referee at this stage stopped the bout and awarded it to the champ, Houston. Prescod tipped the beam at 147, and Houston at 145.

At Pln, Skeldon, Corentyne, Lloyd "Dynamite Kid" Tyndall, scored a three round K.O. over Black Dynamite. The Kid used his terrific right hand to good advantage and never seemed to be worried. He has issued an open challenge to the welterweight champ, Len Houston. Tyndall tipped the beam at 142 and the loser at 146.

For the first time in nearly two years, British Guiana saw a light-heavyweight championship fight. Tiger Jack Johnson, the champion, regained his crown, but in not too convincing a manner, against Fighting Shadrack. The referee, reporters, and most of the very large crowd, thought Shadrack won. Shadrack, a long range fighter, was never allowed to box that way by the champ, who kept inside throughout the brawl, and won the judges' votes that way. Jack weighed 168 and Shadrack 169.

In a six round semi-final, Black Dynamite, 145, decisively defeated Nick Farley, 147, winning four of the six heats.

FLASHES FROM TRINIDAD—Gentle Daniel won a sensational battle at the Woodbrook Stadium, Trinidad, when he KO'ed Ansel Baba Adams in the second of a scheduled fifteen round championship bout for the light-heavyweight crown of the Island. Daniel came in at 170, and Adams at 172.

Cyril "Kid" Francis, after piling up a three round lead on Al Tunney, injured his shoulder and had to throw in the sponge at the end of the fourth frame, therefore losing on a TKO. At 144½, he had a five pound pull in the weights over Al. . . . Alfred Gilkes, 147, turned back Constable Griffith, 158, after six rounds of clean milling. Gilkes had his man down in both the second and third rounds for nine counts.

Tiny Jules and Kid Blyce were the contestants in a four round fray with the former romping off with the decision. The winner weighed 116 to 114 for his opponent.

Gentle Daniel, Trinidad's light-heavyweight champ, fought and held to a draw, none other than Kid Tunero, Cuba's middleweight king, who was also highly regarded in the U.S.A., as a contender for the world's middleweight title. Daniel fought his usual cool fight, but was too careful on many occasions where he could have had an advantage. The bout was a twelve round affair, and the boys have signed for a return go of ten stanzas. There were no knockdowns. Daniel had an eight pound weight advantage; 169 to 161 for Tunero. . . . Young Tanner, British Guiana's best lightweight, will face Young Zivic here in British Guiana after which he will leave for England to join his brother Kid Tanner. We're sure he'll make just as big a hit as the Kid.

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CENTRAL OHIO SWINGS AND HOOKS

By LESS HUFFMAN

THE Quality Club promoted its first indoor show in the Memorial Hall on October 2. Bobby McIntire, Detroit, and Willie Russell of Columbus, Ohio, featured the ten round fight which was packed full of action and stands out as the best fight held here this year. McIntire had the edge in ten pounds. Russell weighed 134, McIntire 144.

The semi-final between Phil Schartz and Willie Davis was a barroom brawl of six rounds with Schartz getting the duke.

Tiger Wills, pleasing little Columbus featherweight, stopped Eddy Scott, Detroit, in the second round.

Freddie Tibbs, Columbus, was given the nod over Todd Doughty, also of Columbus, in four rounds. The other four rounder between Jimmy Mitchell and Don Neal ended in the third round by a K.O. in favor of Mitchell.

Tut Jackson, veteran heavyweight who lives in Washington Court House, Ohio, has just announced that he will again promote some shows in his home town.

Rudy Zadell, Joe Basco's fighting welterweight, got the nod over Ray Miller at Cleveland. This was their second fight. Zadell got the nod both times.

One of the most popular fighters here is Jimmy Woods, Cincinnati lightweight, who is under the management of James Schlank. Jimmy took down a close decision over Tiger Wills here on a six rounder early this summer and recently dropped a close one to Roy Lewis of Muncie, Indiana, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Paramount A.C., with Danny Huff at the helm, promoted its first show on October 12, at Dayton, Ohio. The featured bout of the evening was between Ralph Walton of Canada and Willie Russell of Columbus, and Walton was stopped in the fifth round. It was a good fight throughout.

In the semi-final, Ken Johnson, Dayton heavyweight, won over Tommy Woodward of Columbus in 8 rounds.

Tiger Wills put the finishing touch to Johnny Goode of Cincinnati in the second round. In another six Al Williams had little trouble in stopping Karl East of Millvale, Pa., in two rounds.

Don Neal after winning the first round from Oscar Boyd of Dayton, Ohio, passed out in his corner and was unable to come out when the bell rang.

The Yokum A.C. sponsored another good fight on October 9 when Matchmaker George Nichols topped his show with a ten round fight between Jimmy Joyce and Stan Cieslik of Detroit. Joyce was given the duke but was forced hard all the way. Joyce had Cieslik on the floor three times.

In an eight round semi-final between Allen Small of Indiana and Jimmy Brown of Cincinnati, heavyweights, Allen was stopped in the first round on a cut eye.

Pat Iacobucci, a little Cincinnati boy, stole the show when he stopped Johnny Cook in the second heat.

Cappy Benton, Cincinnati, stopped Babe Turpin of Indiana in the first round.

Herb Simmons will promote boxing this winter in Lima, Ohio.

Rudy Zadell, Akron lightweight, whipped Billy Sheldon, Pittsburgh lightweight.

Jimmy Ainsworth, Akron lightweight, is back in training. Jim Turner, Akron middleweight, is out of the army.

The Johnny Hannison-Bob Heath combination of Akron topped their show with Oscar Suggs and a substitute, Vinnie Jones, who stopped Suggs in the ninth round in a good fight. Charlie Roth, Detroit's hard-hitting heavyweight, put the skids under Buffalo's Henry Johnson in the second round.

Jimmy Howard of Akron, Ohio, had little trouble in disposing of Billy Mitchell of Sandusky, Ohio, in the first heat.

Howard Umbels, Canton, stopped Ziggie Minnie, Buffalo, in the second round. The show drew 937 fans.

The boxing show staged at Memorial Hall by the Quality Club was topped by a ten rounder between Jimmy Woods, Cincinnati lightweight, and Tiger Wills, Columbus featherweight. Woods was floored in the second round but rallied to win the decision.

The semi-final between Willie Davis and Mut Schartz, both of Columbus, was a repetition of their thrilling brawl of three weeks ago. Schartz again won in eight rounds.

Dick Lewis, Dayton featherweight, packed too much going power and won easily over Benny Green, another local featherweight. Two fours saw Todd Doughty win over Freddie Tibbs, and Bob Woslh beat Charley Banks.

Art Swiden, heavyweight, recently discharged from the Marines, will be seen on one of the shows here some time in December.

Jim Turner, Akron middleweight, lost a close decision to Irish Mickey Doyle in Cleveland, but beat Alex Buzcik in Akron.

One thousand six hundred and fifty-three paid admissions, the largest crowd to attend an Akron show for some time watched the main go of ten rounds between Leroy Jackson, Cleveland, and Oscar Williams of New York. The duke went to Williams after a good fast fight.

In another ten rounder, Charlie Roth gave away thirty pounds but won over big Al Patterson of Pittsburgh.

Vinnie Jones of New York stopped Art Hardy with a hard right in the second round of a scheduled ten rounder. Jim Howard, Akron heavy, decisioned Gene Harris of Toledo in five heats, and Jim Turner got the nod over Alex Buzcik in five.

Joe Basco is lining up fighters to go to South America.

Leo Garrett, Cleveland's clever lightweight, showed the fans he is ready for tougher opponents when he flattened Johnny Chatman of Buffalo in the second round at the Metropolitan Boxing Arena.

The Quality A.C. is planning a big New Year's Day boxing show. The writer is matchmaker, and would like to hear from managers everywhere.

Harry Feurstein has several good boys and is anxious to get them started in this part of the country.

Sugar Costner had a bad break when he was ill and had to cancel his bout with Bobby Berger in Cincinnati.

Roy Finn, former middleweight boxer, is now training fighters.

Morrey Paul has been appointed as chairman of the Boxing Commission in Dayton.

Charles Grealis, Cleveland promoter, is planning to stage shows every week.

Tippy Ramsey, Cincinnati clouter, upset the dope when he substituted for Sugar Costner against Bobby Berger of New York, and copped the duke. Ramsey with a little more experience will give the best of them a run for their money.

Any letters pertaining to boxing or wrestling in this part of the country will be answered provided there is a stamped self-addressed envelope enclosed.

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IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON

By HOMER AMUNDSEN

JOHNNY LOVETT, Phila., Pa., lightweight, recently discharged from Fort Lewis, Washington, is making Tacoma his temporary home. Johnny has made himself a favorite with Seattle fight fans, heading three talent boxing shows so far in that city.

Jimmy Casino, middleweight of class before the war, and the boy who stopped Freddie Steele, former middleweight champion when Freddie tried a come-back, will soon be discharged from the Navy. Jimmy who at the present time hits the Fairbanks somewhere around the two hundred mark, plans on a return to the game and may train at the Amundsen Gym.

Davy Ward, pre-war welterweight favorite from Tacoma, has been transferred to Fort Lewis and is now getting in condition at Amundsen's, and Tacoma fans may see Davy in ring action in the future.

Promoter Will Maylon, Tacoma, staged his first card October 26, the first since June 29. The bouts were satisfactory, a good crowd greeted the boxers and from all indications this Puget Sound City gives promise of once more becoming the best fight town on the coast.

Abe Kubey, Seattle promoter, to date has staged two boxing shows in the Civic Auditorium, billing them as talent shows. Kubey is well liked by the boxing boys and the fans alike. It may take three or four shows of this type to get the fans coming in as Seattle has been dark anent boxing for two years.

Boys coming back into civilian life who plan on going into the professional business, and with no tie-ups can get expert direction by calling on or writing this writer. Boys with ambition and ability can find plenty of boxing work around this part of the country.

Tommy Moyer, Portland, Oregon, N.A.A.U. champion lightweight of a couple or so years ago, and Bobby Volk, a likely looking Portland middleweight youngster, just out of the Army, went through a training session at Amundsen's recently. Rumor has it that Moyer plans on entering the money ranks soon. As an amateur, Tommy was tops, he should do all right in the professional end of things.

Donnie Bush, Tacoma's fighting 19 year old 140 pounder, now in the Army, has been sent to Nagasaki, Japan. Donnie's future in the mitt game will be closely followed by Tacoma fight fans.

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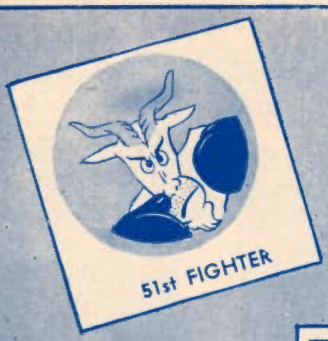

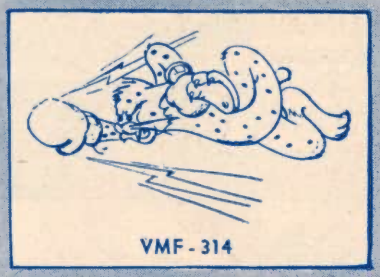

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